



## Homecoming Royalty



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## OUR GREAT CELEBRATION

When "Johnny Came Marching Home" after World War I, the nation was happy. The war to end wars had ended; the world was safe for democracy.

It was natural that folks should celebrate - and celebrate they did. In Porterville that celebration became an annual event - Armistice Day.

As the years went by, the celebration grew into a great and traditional community event.

But, somehow or other, the world really wasn't safe for democracy. World War II came along; then Korea, now Vietnam.

Armistice Day lost its original significance, and

November 11 was rechristened as Veterans' Day - a day on which America honors its men and women who gave their lives for their country.

In Porterville the day is still one of celebration - a day on which "everyone comes to town" to watch a colorful parade, to go to a football game, maybe to visit the carnival grounds, or to join old friends at the pioneer reunion, or to enjoy a family reunion.

November 11 is a happy day in Porterville, a day on which an atmosphere of "fun and frolic" prevails.

But if the day is to have real significance, its orig-

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## Program For 49th Homecoming Celebration

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

6:30 p.m. - Reunion, P.U.H.S. Class of 1902, at Gang Sue's  
8 p.m. - Patriotic Spectacular in Jamison Stadium Between Halves of Porterville High School - Mt. Whitney High School of Visalia Football Game  
ALL DAY & EVENING - CARNIVAL  
On East Olive At Porterville Fair Grounds

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

5 a.m. - Breakfast For Committee Workers, American Legion Hall, Bob Reyes, Grande Chef  
8 a.m. - Judging Of Homecoming Parade Floats in Assembly Area, North Of Morton Between Sunnyside and Second  
10 a.m. - Spectacular Homecoming Parade, Main Street In Downtown Porterville  
11 a.m. - Moment Of Silence  
At The Sound Of Sirens The Parade Will Halt, Everyone Will Face The East, For A Silent Tribute To The Men And Women Who Gave Their Lives in Service To America  
NOON - Lunch At Porterville High School Cafeteria For Pioneers and The Public, Followed By A Pioneer Tea Under Sponsorship Of The Tule Vista Parlor, Native Daughters Of The Golden West, Also A Reunion Of The PUHS Class Of 1917  
Barbecue Beef Lunch At Vandalia School As Benefit For SCICON, Serving Until 3 p.m.  
2 p.m. - Football In Jamison Stadium, Porterville College vs Merced College  
8:30 p.m. - Informal Social Gathering At The Veterans' Of Foreign Wars Hall For Committee Workers And The Public  
11 p.m. - Drawing For Homecoming Awards At VFW Hall  
ALL DAY & EVENING - Carnival On East Olive At Porterville Fair Grounds

The 49th Annual Veterans' Day And Homecoming Celebration Is Sponsored By Post 20, The American Legion, and Mount Whitney Post 2001, Veterans Of Foreign Wars

## Split The County! Visalia Gets Fat On Our Taxes

During the early 1890s, hottest item of politics involved the division of Tulare county as it then existed, with Porterville leading an effort to form Putnam county, and make Porterville the county seat.

In this Progress Edition of The Farm Tribune we are featuring editorial comments from the Porterville Enterprise relative to splitting the county, along with the Enterprise rebuttals to comments from other county newspapers opposing division of the county.

With the stories we are also printing a series of California maps, showing the development of Tulare county from the time it was formed in 1852. We suggest you read from the front of the paper to the back since articles are more or less in historical sequence.

Prior to 1852, Mariposa county covered virtually all of the central section of California. The original Tulare county included what is now Fresno, Kern, Kings, Inyo and part of Mono counties.

During the early days of California as a state, many counties were formed, with the general trend being to break large county areas

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## HOMECOMING PARADE WILL FEATURE MISS CALIFORNIA; SHRINERS; JETS; SENATOR WAY; HORSELESS CARRIAGES

Miss California - Karen Pursell, of Strathmore - will appear in the Porterville Veterans' Day and Homecoming parade the morning of November 11.

She will ride in a special convertible and will be dressed in a style befitting the state's reigning beauty.

Featured also in the parade will be State Senator Howard Way, as grand marshal, accompanied by Mrs. Way, and the famous Tehran Temple Shriners from Fresno will use an entire division of the parade, bring their full contingent to Porterville - a mounted group, a marching unit, a band, and their comedy performers.

Historic color will be added by Horseless carriages - for celebrities, these shining, antiquated vehicles to be provided by the Tulare County Horseless Carriage club.

And a patriotic touch will be added when Navy Jets from the Lemoore Naval Air Station stage a flyover during the morning.

In addition, the Porterville High School Panther band, directed by Buck Shaffer, will present their fine music, along with a number of other bands from county schools.

Community organizations will enter floats and

decorated cars; mounted groups and individuals will add western color; and Homecoming Queen Kathy Souza, with her court, will ride on a float constructed

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## Patriotic Spectacular Friday Night

"America, Our Country," the theme of Porterville's 49th annual Veterans' Day and Homecoming celebration, will be used also as the theme of a patriotic spectacular that will be presented tomorrow evening, Friday, in Jamison stadium between halves of the Porterville High School - Mount Whitney High School of Visalia football game.

The spectacular has been written and will be directed by Buck Shaffer, band director at Porterville High school, and will feature the Panther band, along with singing groups and dancers from Porterville High school and Porterville college.

Depicted in action on the stadium floor will be the temporary infiltration of tyranny into the American way of life - but an infiltration that is turned back by the Spirit of 1776.

**ALL ROADS LEAD TO PORTERVILLE ON NOVEMBER 11**



## IT IS FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF ALL TO HAVE A NEW COUNTY

May 6, 1892

The subject of dividing counties will necessarily receive considerable attention at the legislature convening in 1893. It will be necessary to divide several of our larger counties in the near future and Fresno and Tulare and perhaps Kern will be changed on the map of the State in four, six or eight years from this time. Let us look at our home county. Do we want and need a new county seat just now? No. Will it be for the best interests of all to have a new county at any time? Yes. Then if so what area of territory

and when? We will give some facts and reasons first and conclusion last.

Tulare county has an area of about 6500 square miles and the geographical center of the county is very near the City of Porterville, strictly speaking five miles north of Porterville and twenty-five miles southeast of Visalia. The cities of Visalia, Hanford and Porterville are in the centers of the richest and most densely populated portions of the county. The population of the county is about 27,000 and increasing tolerably rapidly. That portion of the county, the

south-eastern, of which Porterville is the natural center, is an area of about three thousand square miles, embracing Supervisor District No. 1 and the population of such portion of the county is 7000 and the value of property according to the last assessment was nearly one third of the whole county roll or eight millions of dollars, the larger portion of which wealth is in the immediate vicinity of Porterville.

The advantages and disadvantages of Hanford are quite similar to this, with this difference, we are ten

miles further from the county seat, and we think we have a larger and richer portion of the county contiguous to us.

The expense of running a county government would necessarily entail a slight increase in the rate of county taxation, but the money would be kept at home.

In conclusion we will say that if an agreement can be reached whereby we can have the proper portion of the county set off, and further when our population shall have reached ten thousand and, still further, when an assessment shall

have swelled to ten millions, then we will be bountifully able to support a county government in the best of form and a very low rate of taxation; in fact as low as we are paying now. At the progress we have been and are now making we will have reached the desired point of wealth and population in four or five years and then, and not until then are we ready for a division of the county and furthermore we are opposed to having the Lucerne country set off from this county until we are fully ready to assume the proud title of countyhood.

## We Interview Different Parties On Importance Of County Division

May 13, 1892

In relation to the important subject of county division we give below the substance of interviews with different parties. Limited space prevents us from giving more than a part of the number or a synopsis of the expressions. Joseph Mitchell, merchant, White River: "I am in favor of a division of the county, provided it can be done and not increase the rate of county taxation too much. I would be willing to pay fifty cents more on the one hundred dollars than we now pay in order to have a new

county with Porterville as the county seat. As it is now it is a very great expense to the people of my section of the county to go from fifty to seventy miles on county business to Visalia."

Dr. W.S. Henrahan: Oh! "I am opposed to anything that don't pay. If it will make my property that I wish to sell, more valuable, I am in favor of it."

J. McDonald, rancher, White River: "I have not investigated and considered the subject sufficiently to express an opinion just now. We are so far away from the county seat that

we hardly know we have a county government except when the sheriff takes us as witnesses or juror to Visalia."

E. Callison, farmer, Tipton: "I live twenty miles from Porterville and thirty miles from Visalia and I am opposed to a division of the county unless the rate of county taxation be as low as one per cent. We need a new county of the southern portion of Tulare, it would be much more convenient for the great population of Porterville and vicinity. I would like to know just what boundaries are proposed and the valuation of such portion and the valuation in order to make a close financial calculation of the expense of county government."

P.F. Chapman: "I am in favor of a division."

J.B. Hockett: "We must have a county some day and the earlier we move the better. We get nothing without asking. Porterville is bound to be a city and county seat. We should consider the subject earnestly and if we are not wealthy and populous enough next year, we certainly will be in a few years more."

P.P. Davis: "We need a new county formed from the southern portion of this county and the northern portion of Kern county. It is too expensive to such a large number of people to have to go so frequently and so far to the county seat. If we had county government of our own a great deal more of our money would be kept at home."

T.J. Witt: "Our large area of country contiguous to Porterville, our great

resources and rapidly increasing population will ere long force the issue and when we prove to our neighbors that we are strong enough to maintain a county government at a reasonable cost we will receive our just deserts; but I do not think that the time is ripe just now. There is yet a county indebtedness to liquidate and we must grow a few thousand stronger and a few millions wealthier before assuming such a responsible position and from four to six years from now according to present increase we may be able to justly demand and obtain a proper division of the county."

B.S. Wilson: "Porterville is the center of a rich and populous district, but our great resources

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## TULARE CITY IS AMBITIOUS TO BECOME SEAT OF NEW COUNTY

We find that this subject is of growing importance, both in the western and southern portions of the county. Already the "Times" of the 9th instant advertises to the subject and seeks to present as an argument that not only Porterville and Hanford desire to become county seats, but that Tulare city may be ambitious of the same distinction. We all know that from location Tulare city has no chance, being only ten miles from Visalia and connected with Visalia by

a dummy, it is a suburb of the latter; but Porterville and Hanford by their great distance, rapid growth, great wealth and natural advantages are not and cannot be suburbs. In conclusion we would

invite investigation and discussion. We are not going to be hasty and as we are working for the best interests of the county we shall not cause our citizens to be saddled with onerous taxation. Everybody should

express his opinion on the momentous question. We would more especially like to hear the views of the aspirants for legislature honors. One of them has spoken freely. Let the others speak as freely.

## TULARE CITY ENDEAVORED TO MOVE SEAT TO SAND-BLOWN PLAINS

June 3, 1892

The Tulare Valley Citizen is rather exorcised over the fact that we dare to even think of the proposition of county division, and echoes the wise (?) remark of a Visalia paper, that every town in the county desires to become the seat of a new county. It was not many years since that Tulare city was emulous, and endeavored to remove the county seat from Visalia to her sand-blown plain and oh! how the rival towns did back against each other, but Visalia anchored the seat permanently by an eighty-five thousand dollar courthouse and subsequent et ceteras to the tune of almost as much more. Tulare city was beaten in its ambitious designs and settled down a quiet suburb of Visalia, so closely connected that it takes but an hour and one dollar to make the round trip. Those places are so close together that they must work harmoniously in county seat matters as well as in politics (see the nominees of the last convention and their residences) Neighbor Citizen, our county is very large and Porterville is the business center of a very important portion of it. We are thirty miles from the county seat and it takes all day and costs three dollars to make the trip. A great portion of our money is taken away, consequently we can keep but little at home. Again this portion of the county embracing supervisor district No. 1, pays about two-sevenths of the taxes while such portion costs county but very little outside of roads and school. Look at your jails and justice courts and you will see that our part bears no comparison excepting to way the contrast to other towns, more especially Tulare, in the way of county expense. We furnish but few of the county prisoners and none of the county officers.

## WE CANNOT GIVE UP WOODVILLE

December 23, 1892

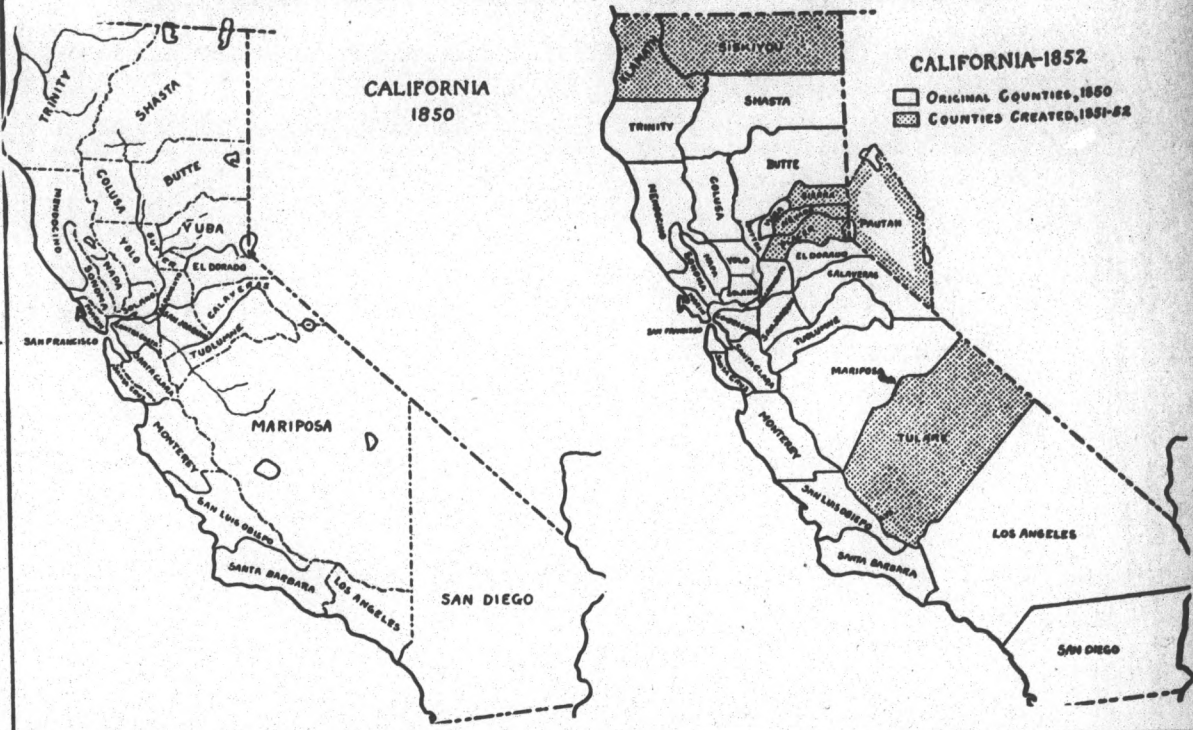
So now Tulare City has got the county division fever. Let her slide, but we think we cannot give up Woodville. However if Woodvillites prefer attachment to Tulare City instead of Porterville we will not kick. We will still have Tailholt, Hodunk, Epperson Flats and the Reservation, plus the outlying sheep range, making about two thousand square miles.



We do not seek to deprive Visalia of the proud position of a shire town, nor to prevent Hanford from becoming the center of a local government but we do ask that we receive justice along with adverse criticism. Just discuss the facts and see where we are entitled to stand. We are proud of the advantages of all other towns and they should be proud and not envious of our growth, resources and ambition. The division must come and you might as well be prepared for it.

There are other portions of the county, aside from Visalia and Tulare city, that are entitled to some respect political and otherwise.

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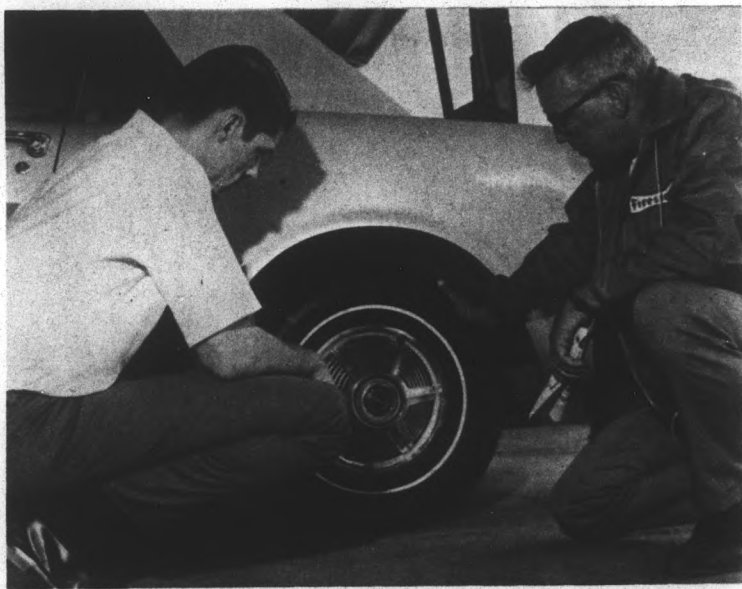
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## TULARE, VISALIA HANG TOGETHER TO KEEP FROM HANGING SEPARATELY

November 4, 1892

The "Tulare Valley Citizen" is opposed to a division of this county. Of course, we had never dreamt of any thing else. Tulare city and Visalia cost this county something, and Lucerne and Porterville come in very handy paying bills, etc., but that etc, does not include furnishing candidates. Of course, further,

Tulare city now will not, does not antagonize Visalia, as it once did. You must hang together to keep from hanging separately Hanford and Porterville except no favors from the two full-grown towns of Visalia and Tulare City. We wonder if the desiccated editors of the Citizen would like to have the county seat moved to Goldman's and Linder's town?

## PEOPLE AT HANFORD AND LEMOORE MOVING IN EARNEST FOR DIVISION

December 23, 1892

The Hanford Lemoore people are moving in earnest in county division and propose dividing the old county north and south in the middle of township twenty-three; and also depend upon getting a little triangular shaped piece from the southwest part of Fresno county, containing about one thousand square miles, which added to the eastern part of Tulare county, proposed to be segregated, would make an area of more than two thousand square miles in a square shape with the principal part of the wealth and population in the vicinity of

Hanford and Lemoore. We think the population would be about eight thousand and the wealth ten millions.

All things considered we do think we have greater rights and claims to a new county here in the southeast, than the people of the west. We would or ought to have about the same area and population. The wealth and population are mostly in the vicinity of Porterville, and we are ten miles further on an average from the county seat. It is a subject that should be freely discussed without delay. Will you think upon the subject and try to obtain some data in order to be posted?

## WHAT A NICE THING IT IS TO HAVE COUNTY SEAT 40 MILES FROM PEOPLE

December 30, 1892

What a nice thing it is to have the county seat thirty or forty miles away from the people? And what an economical blessing to have several set of deputies scattered over the county and CHARGE MILEAGE FROM THE COUNTY seat. After this we think more processes will be served by individuals.

feel the expense and inconvenience even more than now.

December 30, 1892

The average size of the counties in New England is thirty-six miles square, in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois four hundred square miles, in the western states generally two thousand square miles, in California twenty-five hundred square miles. The division of counties goes on in the west and south, while the consolidation of counties is hardly ever heard of, Tulare county has six thousand four hundred square miles, - a width of sixty six north and south, by one hundred and thirty, east and west. The southeastern corner of this county is thirty-eight miles south and seventy-four miles east from the town of Visalia, to the southwest corner is thirty-eight miles south and fifty-four miles west but the sheriffs and constables never object to distance or amount of mileage, however it is true that a great area of the extreme eastern and western portions of the county are mountainous and sparsely settled.

## NO TRUTH FROM SCRIBBLER IN VISALIA TIMES

February 3, 1893

Grady from Fresno and Mike Mitchell from Visalia fighting county division; and yet the corridors of the capitol are as firm as ever. We wonder if Fresno and Tulare counties would make up a purse for their return?

We would like to know with what authority the local scribbler of the Visalia Times inserts the following:

"It is said that the Putnam county advocates at Sacramento are willing to cease trying to divide Tulare county if the advocates of Kings and Buena

Vista counties will draw off their forces. The people of Putnam and Buena Vista counties are only acting in self defense."

There is no truth whatever in the above, at least as far as the Putnam county advocates are concerned. The people of the proposed Putnam county see more than ever the necessity of this new county being formed, and will work to the bitter end to see it a "fait accompli."



**We Salute Those Pioneers Whose Dreams Became The Realities Of 1967  
We Hope That Our Dreams Will Become The Realities Of The Future**



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Our Rockwell people have a job to do for our company . . . But we also have a job to do for Porterville, a different sort of job, a community job. That's why you find the men and women of Rockwell in your community organizations, working for the betterment of Porterville, working for Progress In Porterville.

It is with great anticipation that we look forward to mutual sharing in development of Porterville and development of Rockwell. Our Company and our Community of Porterville move forward hand in hand.

So to all the Pioneers and Veterans who will be in Porterville for the 49th annual Homecoming November 11, we say, "Many Happy Returns Of Homecoming Day."



**THE PORTERVILLE PLANT IS A UNIT IN ROCKWELL'S WORLD-WIDE DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIAL OPERATION.**



## TAXPAYERS SUBSCRIBE \$1,000 ADVERTISE PUTNAM COUNTY

March 3, 1893

Some few weeks back W. R. McQuoid of the A.F. Examiner went before the Board of Supervisors and asked for an appropriation sufficient to pay for a descriptive article of Tulare county, to occupy one page of the World's Fair edition of the paper he represented. The board however failed to see the benefit Tulare county might derive and refused the application.

To the enterprising town of Porterville Mr. McQuoid then turned, and in a few days one thousand dollars is subscribed by the prominent property owners of Porterville, Lindsay and Frazier Valley which will guarantee one half page descriptive of the proposed PUTNAM COUNTY, in this mammoth edition which will be freely circulated throughout the entire world.

This is another instance showing that the proposed Putnam county is composed of a go-ahead, enterprising and don't - let - the - grass - grow - under - your - feet kind of people.

March 3, 1893

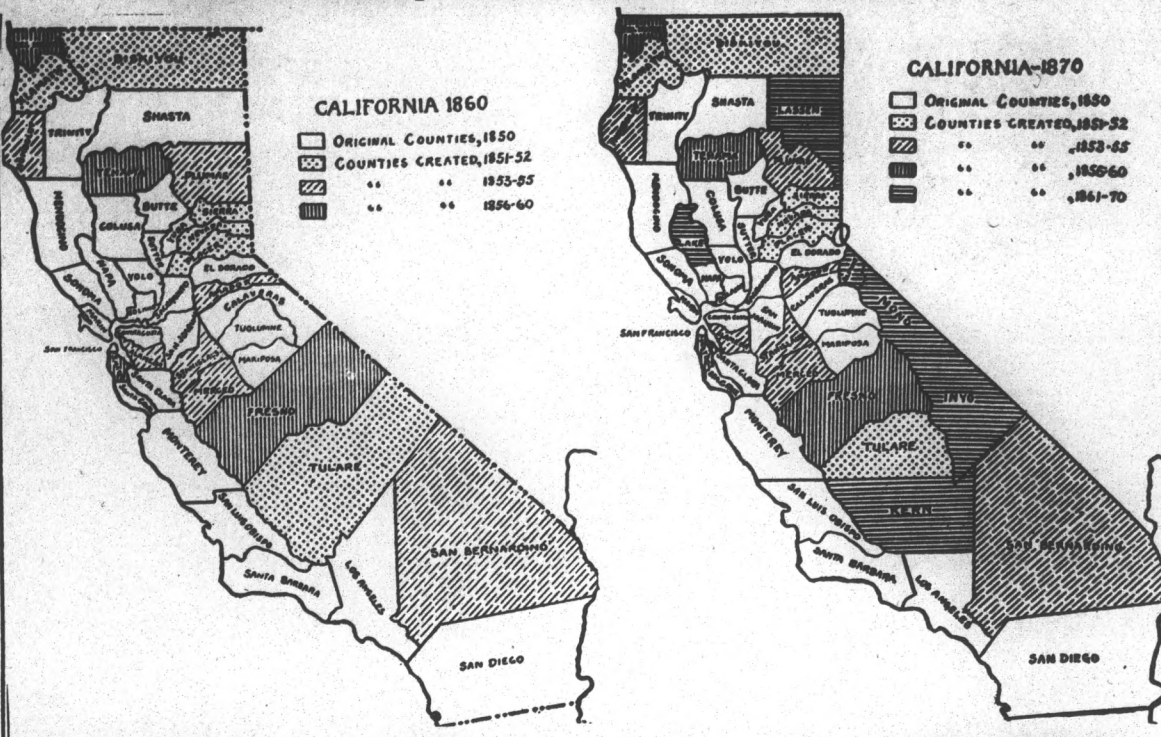
Mike Mitchell is the representative of Visalia in the Third House against county division. We do not mean Tailholt Mike, for he is a gentleman. We hear the other mike has a most unenviable reputation from Phoenix to Sacramento.

It is really funny to think that when a county division

bill comes up in the Assembly, Mr. Berry is there and when a bill of the same kind comes up in the Senate Mr. Alford is there. Probably they think that their one legislative mission is to oppose county division. Let them buck against us this time, but three-fourths of the people of Tulare are in favor of county division and will continue to be until we divide. We hope that next time we will have representatives that will represent their constituents instead of a mere clique at the county seat.

The Times is wonderfully afraid that the next issue in Tulare will be county division. Visalia's representative told Judge Davis that that was the issue in '92 and that he (Alford) had pledged himself against it. Now we would like to know if any voter in the Assembly District that Alford is supposed to represent, ever heard Alford or any other man discuss that alleged issue from the stump during the campaign. When Alford said he had pledged himself against county division we believe he told the truth that time, but we would like to know where, why, when and to whom he so pledged himself on that then unknown issue. Probably, some of the clique of Visalia can answer that question for Alford is too modest to answer. What right had he to pledge himself secretly?

## Tulare County Gets Smaller And Smaller



### We Interview

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are not yet sufficiently developed for us to assume the expense that would be entailed. A few years later we can move stronger in that direction."

Dr. George: "We will certainly need a division before a great many years, but not the next session of the Legislature."

It seems from the general drift of opinions so far as collected that, there is a desire to have a division, but not to act rashly in the matter and all seem patient and considerate.

We will from time to time give a synopsis of such interviews if space will permit; also data as to area,

### Opposition Legislators To Be Relegated To Private Life

February 10, 1893

We notice the Visalia Times publishes favorable comments in opposition to county division from its exchanges, but it is very careful not to publish the

boundary, population and wealth. We would suggest the propriety of calling a special meeting of the people for discussing the pros and cons of the subject. An expression of opinion from a hundred or more of our solid citizens would do no harm and would surely be indicative of the general feeling.

many UNfavorable ones.

February 10, 1893

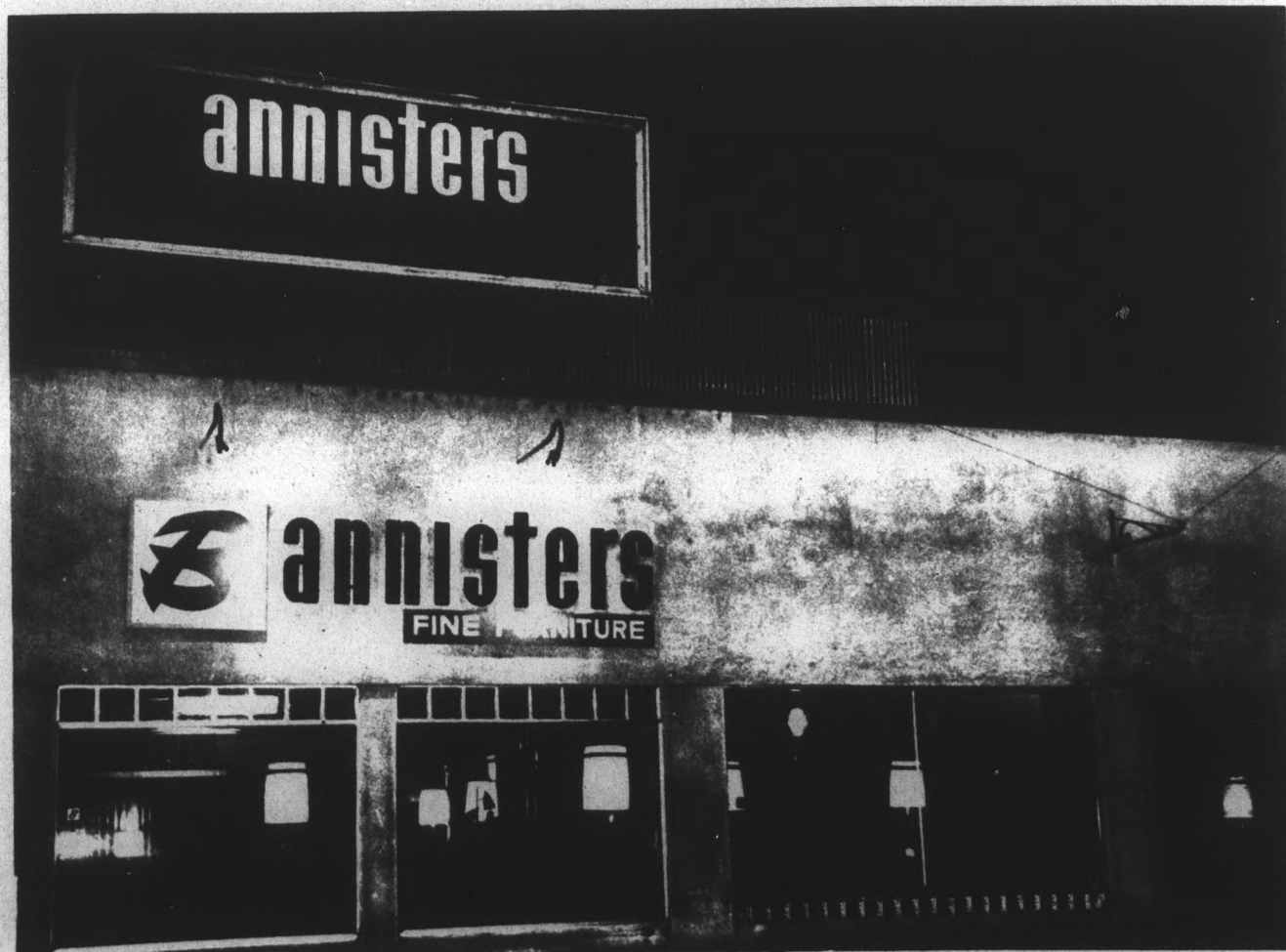
A county-seat Legislature appears to be opposed to a division of the county but is in favor of a general bill and a constitutional amendment authorizing division another way. He knows or ought to know that there is now a legal and just proceeding provided for, which is the passage of a bill submitting the question to the people. All other plans and proceedings are merely clap-traps and intended to prevent division.

We are endowed with a constitutional right which a legislator should not prevent us from using. When more than five thousand people are a unit in demanding their legal and just rights, it ill becomes county-seat politicians to deny us those privileges. Such legislators will be relegated to private life.

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### Why Didn't Senator Come To Porterville?

January 20, 1893

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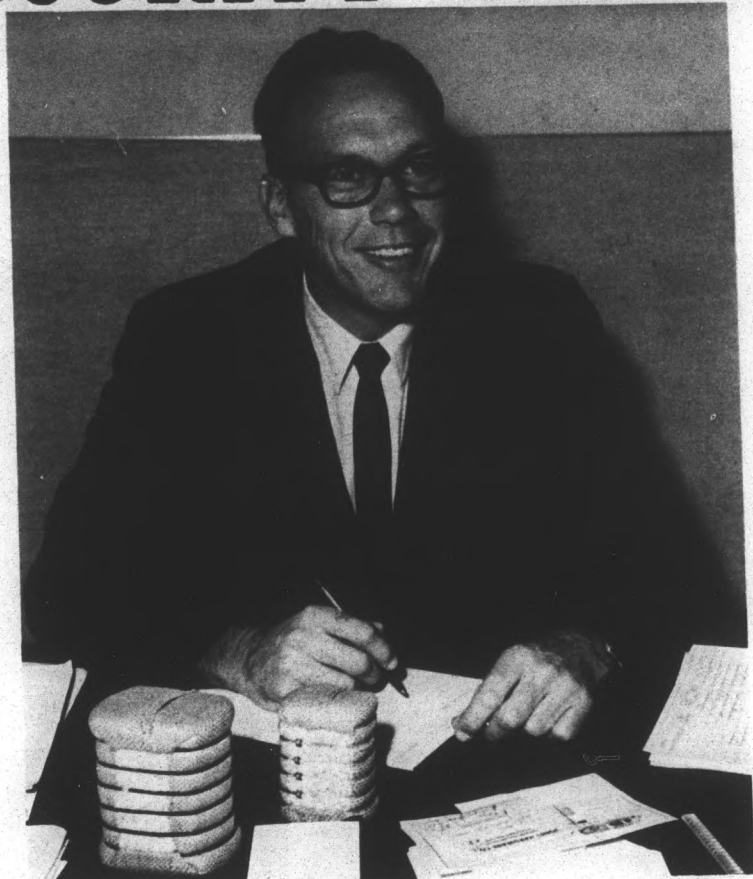
Visalia can find no excuse and give no substantial reason why we should NOT sever our connection with her.

Those who were against division at the outset are now vying round and commencing to see the advantages to be gained by it.

Why did not Senator Berry, who we hear obtained leave of absence from the legislature, for the express purpose of consulting his constituents regarding county division, come to Porterville and vicinity and hear how the people here stood on the proposition? Instead of which it is said he only went to Visalia and heard what his constituents there, had to say and then returned to Sacramento. If he had come here, he would no doubt have taken a different tale back with him.



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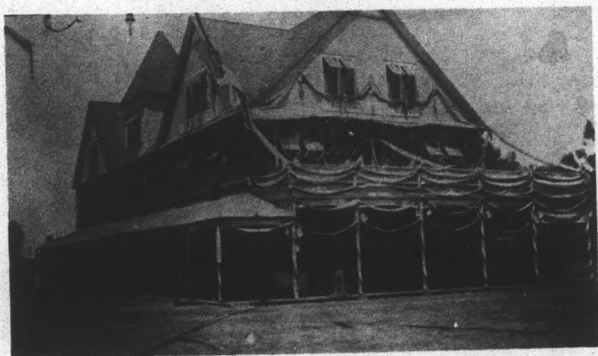
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OUR SECOND LOCATION  
The Pioneer Bank  
At Turn Of The Century



OUR PRESENT LOCATION  
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Home Bank Building In 1927



FIRST BUILDING IN PORTERVILLE, CONSTRUCTED BY  
CITY'S FOUNDER, ROYAL PORTER PUTNAM IN 1861. Photo, 1885

MARKS PRESENT SITE OF SECURITY BANK

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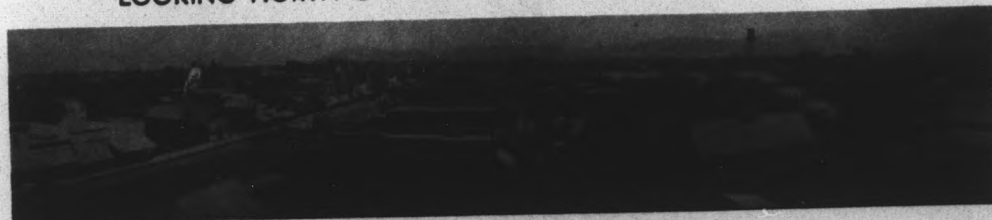
ALONG The OLD EMIGRANT TRAIL  
MAIN AT OAK  
PORTERVILLE



LOOKING SOUTH ON MAIN FROM MILL, ABOUT 1890



LOOKING NORTH ON MAIN FROM OAK, ABOUT 1875



LOOKING NORTH ON MAIN FROM TOP OF OPERA HOUSE, ABOUT 1909



# THERE ARE THOSE WHO ATTEMPT TO BUILD A QUASI POLITICAL SUPERSTRUCTURE WITHOUT A BASE FOR THE BENEFIT OF VISALIA

January 27, 1893

Home Jan. 16, 1893.  
EDITOR ENTERPRISE:-

Dear Sir-In issue of your paper dated Jan. 13, I noticed under the caption, County Division; in giving the proceedings of the mass meeting held in Porterville on Monday evening of last week, a letter from me was read by the secretary of the meeting. The letter was addressed to Messrs Lumley, Witt and others.

I find by reading the proceedings of that meeting from your paper that my letter was severely criticized by Mr. W. R. Harris.

Now I have no other recourse to defend myself, only through the press and I propose to show the readers of your valuable paper, very briefly, whether or not, I was circulating a document which bore falsehoods on its face, or whether I misrepresented anything in my letter. You quote Mr. Harris as saying, that he did not agree with Mr. Hunsaker, that

everyone that he had seen was in favor of county division, and that Mr. Hunsaker was carrying around in his pocket a petition from Visalia against county division and that the reasons stated thereon were untrue and without foundation. I was circulating a protest which reads as follows:

To the honorable members of the Legislature of the State of California. We the undersigned residents and tax payers of the county of Tulare and the State of California do most earnestly protest against any object to any division of this county or any change in its boundaries. The county seat is centrally located, and easily accessible to the inhabitants from every part of the county, a division into two or more counties would in our judgment greatly increase our taxes, and would thereby impose unnecessary burdens upon our people: neither our population nor area justifies any division at the present time. We are prosperous as we are, and do not

desire any change.

Dated Jan. 6, 1893

Respectfully Submitted

Now for the facts of the protest:

There is railroad communication so that any inhabitant can reach the county seat in a few hours travel (except those who live far back in the mountains.)

Take a radius of thirty miles from Visalia, and you can reach Porterville, Tipton, Hanford, Lemoore, Traver, and nearly every part of the county that is thickly settled, by rail and that division would increase our taxes there is no doubt, for division would mean new court-houses, new jails and a complete set of officers in each of the counties formed out of the old one. Hence the taxes fall very heavily on all tax payers living in new counties.

That Tulare county is prosperous, you need only to refer to the statistics to show the rapid advancement this county is making. We have a population of about twenty-five thousand inhabitants seven thousand voters and I understood our assessment roll foots up in the neighborhood of twenty-three million dollars.

So much for the prosperity of this our great county.

Now I appeal to every candid and impartial citizen whether I was circulating any petition which

bore falsehoods on its face.

Mr. Harris also says that every one he had seen was in favor of county division. He could not have seen more than one of his neighbors Mr. Matt Click who owns some lots in the town of Porterville signed the foregoing protest, which I propose to show as follows.

On yesterday I copied a petition which was in possession of Ex-Senator John Roth and also from one which was in my possession the following names.

To-wit: John Ball, Carl Otto, Jos. Vasler, George Brown, W. J. Fullwiler, Adam Fullwiler, George Dilliard, Theo. Spuler, S. H. Hafley, R. H. Slaver, Daniel Hunsaker, Jos. Hunsaker, Hugh Vincent, John Blair, Sr., John Blair, Jr., George Anthony, J. A. Dewitt, George Dewitt, John Monroe, E. F. Roach, J. B. Monroe, J. P. Hensley, Fred Hensley, Fred Stone, J. J. Hensley, John Roth, Robt. McDaniels, S. M. Scruggs, Ed Sheeley, W. A. Hunsaker, Charlie Martin, John D. Owens and Henry Hunsaker and there are over sixty more names who signed the protest.

There are only a very few tax payers in the whole neighborhood who failed to sign it, and are unalterably opposed to county division.

I said in my letter which Mr. Harris seemed to think misrepresented things, that I believed nine tenths

of the farmers in this part of the county were opposed to county division, and I now here reiterate that statement.

Trusting that Mr. Harris will in the future, when he wants to ventilate himself on the rostrum, will not be so personal, and confine himself to facts.

I am Respectfully Yours,  
HENRY HUNSAKER.

## ENTERPRISE EDITOR REPLIES

The above letter was received by us in answer to a report of 13th inst. In this matter we propose to deal fairly with all parties, and our columns are open for all reasonable articles on the question of division. In fact our people demand all the facts, pro and con on the subject and the result of deliberation teaches more plainly every day the necessity of division, and our people are becoming a unit on the question.

Mr. Hunsaker makes some general statements which are crude conclusion of fact-only mere assertions.

Let us answer the one bare assertion in his petition of remonstrances-"The county seat is centrally located and easily accessible to the inhabitants from every part of the county, a division into two or more counties would in our judgment greatly increase our taxes, and would

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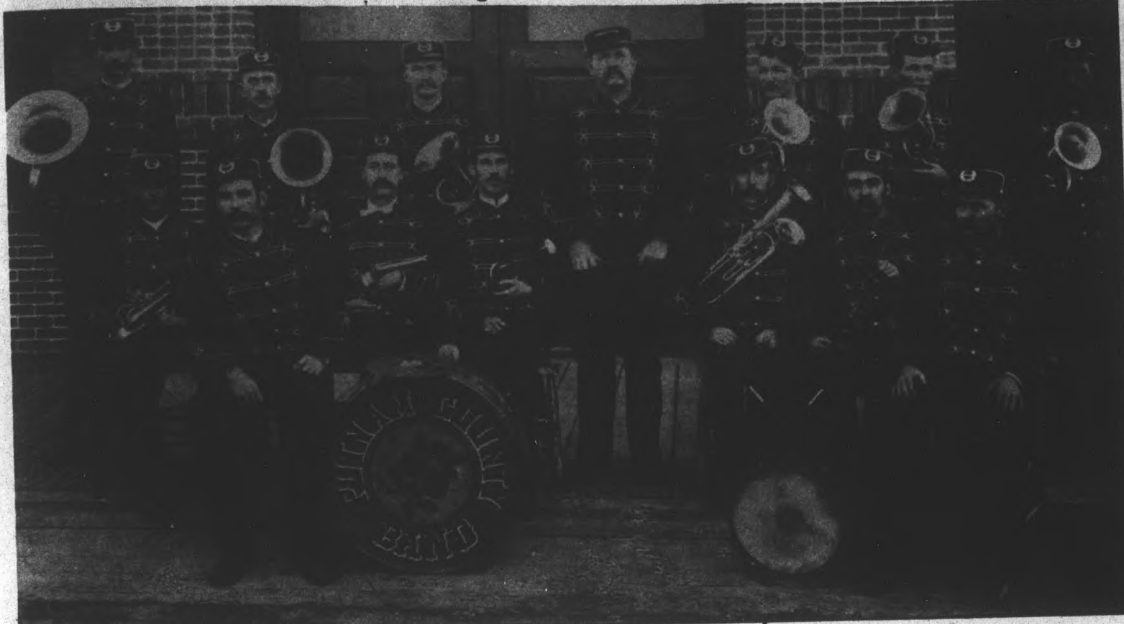
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PORTERVILLE WAS "beating the drum," actually, for formation of a new county - Putnam County - back in the 1890s. In this photo of the Putnam County Band, taken October 28, 1894,

are, from left, standing: Jim Redd, Julian Scott, Swezey Mapes, Prof. Newman, George Mapes, Jack Redd, and Harry Young; seated: Will Putnam,

Bob Redd, Charlie Richard, Frank Putnam, Sam Ballard, T. S. Rickey, and John Gerhardt. (Photo courtesy Hammond Studio)

### EDITOR REPLIES

(Continued From Page 8)

thereby impose unnecessary burdens upon our people; Neither our population nor area justifies any division at the present time.

We are prosperous as we are and do not desire any change."

Just look at the official map. Visalia is not centrally located for all the county, being only SIXTEEN miles north to county line, and THIRTY-SIX miles south to county line, TWENTY-SEVEN miles west to county line and SIXTY-SIX miles east to county line, and all of the county lying north of a line running east and west of northeast corner of Visalia and east of a line running north and south of east boundary of Visalia, embracing forty townships of fourteen hundred and forty square miles, contains a very light population, not more than one tenth the population of the county, or say three thousand; while the great body of the population about thirty thousand now, lives west and south of the point stated namely S. W. corner of section 21 in township 18 south of range 25 east. Does our friend not know that a center is a mathematical point equi-distant from the circumferences or periphery? And apply his argument to population or wealth or both, and he is irredeemably lost and incorrect as is usual with those who attempt to build a permanent quasipolitical superstructure, without a base, for the benefit of Visalia.

And "easily accessible to the inhabitants from every part of the county." You have excellent advantages for travel and communication compared with many of our citizens in the southeastern portion of the county who HAVE to go to Visalia a great distance, fifty miles or more and provide themselves with shekles of silver wherewith to appease the rapacious appetite and fill the capacious maw of the modern silurians of the village on odorous Mill Creek.

Further facts as convenience of travel. The man from Putnam county can generally get to the county seat three different

ways; First if not a citizen of Porterville, go to Porterville, board the seven o'clock train, ride nineteen miles to Exeter, take a rough stage ride eleven miles price \$1.90 and return same way at same price, some times on schedule time sometimes three to five hours late. Secondly; train to Fresno, back to Tulare City, dummy to Visalia. Thirdly; stage twenty-five miles to Tulare City, dummy as before. Fourthly; Train semi-occasionally to Poso, back to Tulare City, dummy again. Fifthly, hire a livery team \$6.00. All those ways you can go IF YOU HAVE MONEY, if not WALK. And all this to pay tribute to the parent town so conveniently situated BETWEEN two great lines of railway.

From the foregoing you will see that it is more difficult and costly to reach Visalia than any town in the county.

"Division would in OUR own judgment greatly increase our taxes."

Look at the new counties of Glenn and Orange and you see that your conclusion is wrong. It takes two hundred thousand dollars or more to run Tulare County (we do not county State tax) while in the opinion of men versed in county finance, Putnam county can be run within the dollar limit, for our population and assessment roll are increasing very fast and we are not compelled to erect county buildings in the very near future, in fact we know that suitable buildings for court house and county officers can be had for years at a nominal rental, and if our tax rate should for county purposes be increased a little for a few years it is better for all of us that all pay and keep the money at home. It may hurt Visalians and some in our midst who are greater friends to Visalia than to their own part of the country, to see the salaries of the Visalia county officers cut down from the enormous amounts of the past and present, to the reasonable rates that they will have to take after division.

Our portion of the county is commercially isolated from Visalia. We trade with each other and with San

Francisco, we go to Visalia when we HAVE TO, and the necessary private expense of so going is twice as much as would be our increased rate of taxation. Go to our business men in and southeast of here and ask each one how much it costs him yearly to dance attendance at Visalia, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty, seventy miles away from the shire town. We think it within the bonds of reason to say that the people of Putnam county expend annually in Visalia twenty dollars per capita for voters, or twenty-six thousand dollars which never return.

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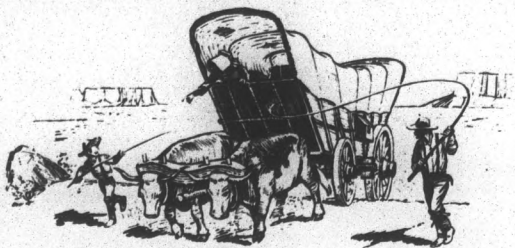
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## TULARE TIMES SAYS LAND COMPANY PRESIDENT INTRUDING ON LEGISLATURE; NEW COUNTY WOULD ENRICH HIM

January 27, 1893

The Tulare Times in the editorial that follows propounds one of the best arguments IN FAVOR of county division that we have yet come across.

"We understand that the president of the Pioneer Land company whose home is in San Francisco and whose company owns large bodies of land at Porterville, is now at Sacramento intruding himself upon the legislature in the interest of Putnam county. This gentleman who is a good

business man is now engaged in a business project, simply and purely. If Putnam county is formed it will easily enrich him a million dollars in the rise of his real estate."

"The rise of his real estate." We take it then for granted that the formation of Putnam county will enhance the value of real estate. Does not every property and land owner benefit thereby? If the land company and the property holders sell their property, will that not bring people

to our county, advance it and advance the interest of our storekeepers and in fact everybody?

The Times may argue against county division, but whenever it does it put its foot into it. The Times is solely fighting in the interests of VISALIA, not for Tulare county. We have accorded the "Old Lady" too much support. She has grown fat on us. What we owe her we are willing to pay and thereby guarantee her a decent funeral.

## MISLEADING STATEMENTS BY VISALIANS CAUSE SOME PEOPLE TO SIGN PETITION

January 20, 1893

Several have signed the petition against county division. They no doubt have done so, through the misleading statements made them by some Visalians. We have seen many who had signed the petition and after presenting the true facts to them, have said, "Oh! I did not know that; I did not think of that; although I have signed against it, I am now strongly in favor of a fivision." Therefore we wish to impress upon you the

importance of hearing both sides of the question before you sign your name.

We don't want to be discouraged because a few people are attempting to fight against the division of our county. It stands to reason that Visalia enters an objection, because she gets nearly all her support from us and would hate to lose it. It had to come, as the people could stand the oppression no longer. Let Visalia hustle for herself, she is big and old enough and sits down while towns smaller in every way than herself, hustle for her and enrich her coffers whilst they have to go without themselves and put up with what few pickings are left. A worm will turn when trodden upon, and weight has become so heavy that we could stand it no longer.

January 27, 1893

How the old and the new county-seat politicians do kick against county division. They do so hate to see their salaries and fees cut down. They let go slowly, but let go they must.

How kind it is in the Visalians to send their men in to the country and to the capitol to inform the people that division is wrong. Dear patriarchal advisor, you need not take off your mask, for we can read you through just the same if you were transparent.

Deputies have been allowed most every county officer to assist them in the discharge of their duties. We notice nearly all these deputies are residents of Visalia. Go it while you have the chance, it won't be for long.

The address prepared by the Visalia board of trade against County Division is full of misleading statements. The present population is given at 24,574. That was the population in 1890. Have we been stationary for the last two years? The Visalia people say so. Let us have a little explanation ye "boomers against County Division." Fact talk.

Every property owner in town should subscribe liberally towards helping make our fight for division and every business man

should donate what he can. We cannot keep men at the State capitol without enough to defray their expenses, so when called on by the fianace committee put down at once what you wish to subscribe and don't put them off by saying you will think about it, as it simply delays matters, and if you do not intend to give anything or vice-versa it is better to say so at once and thereby save your time and that of the committee.

The address prepared by a committee and read at a meeting of the citizens at Visalia last Friday, against dividing the county was very weak and the arguments used did more towards helping the cause than otherwise. It does not matter what argument is brought up against dividing the county, for twenty good ones in its favor can counteract it. Of course Visalia hates to lose the support it has been and is getting from her tributary towns, but the people have become tired of paying all their money out for the embellishment of Visalia and getting nothing in return excepting what she has to give us, viz. our school and road fund. We don't see any use in arguing the question with Visalia as there is nothing to argue, it being all one sided. There must be a division if the people here wish to derive more benefit from the money they pay away annually. We will be enabled to keep our money for our own use instead of getting nothing in return.

January 13, 1893

County Division is the main topic of conversation.

Don't sign the Visalia petition against County Division.

Putnam County will be the richest of the four proposed counties.

If the county has to be divided now, Porterville must be a county seat.

Putnam County, if established, will be classed as one of the richest in the State.

The Visalia petition against County Division is full of misleading statements. Don't sign it.



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## COUNTY DIVISION BILL WAS AS LIGHT AS BRAIN OF ITS ORIGINATOR

February 17, 1893

The Visalia Times of the 10th inst. attempts to palm off upon the people of Tulare county in general and of Putnam county in particular, an editorial on county division, more hypercritical than ever Iscariot dreamt of, and false in innuendo from start to finish. The leached "ed." originated in the brains of Visalia money leaders and hopeful thoughts of Visalia office seekers, supplemented by the well fed quill (at county expense) of the "Official Organ" of Visalia.

Yes, we do say it is a local and just fight, and a fight to a finish and we will prevail. We are not to be slaves forever rendering tribute to the old, but little moss grown town of Visalia.

The Times says: "The gentlemen who argued against division before the joint committee at Sacramento were J. J. Cairns, John Roth, E. Jacob, A. F. Jewett, J. D. Hyde, G. E. Shore, Major, C. J. Berry, Senator Berry and Hon. W. H. Alford."

Of those mentioned only one is a resident or taxpayer of Putnam county. Another man who opposed us, can tell with sorrow and regretful unpopularity how he failed to represent the majority of Tulare county, from his race in

'86. Another, who opposes us, said nothing about Fresno money, without interest and nothing about how he tried to establish Monache county from Tulare county, when the population and wealth were not one fifth that of Putnam county now. One Visalia merchant was at Sacramento, but he said nothing of the lurid flames on the Bayon, that lighted the retreating steps. Another very numerous Visalian was at the Capital smiling at our fall in the first round. We hope that he forgot that there was less than one thousand seven hundred and sixty steps to the mill in the vicinity of Phoenix and we leave to future voters to say whether or not Berry and Alford represented Tulare county or Visalia. Jerry Hyde of Visalia spoke against us one night and he made such a failure that he appeared no more. The others who worked against us live nearest to Visalia than to us, consequently the Times may throw its protecting wings over them, for they need it.

Now we reiterate that Visalians in general have sought to down us, with a few crank kickers who are always to be found. The Times seeks to throw the blame on some outsider and evades the truth when it asks—"How four coun-

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### Division Bill

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ty governments can be obtained as cheaply as one?"

County division will be a leading issue in the next election, and more than three fifths of the people of the whole county are in favor of division. At the next election our assemblyman can have a fair opportunity of pledging himself BEFORE election, instead of AFTER, and we will not be downed by false sympathy. It would really be too bad if by division the old cut were cut down in the scale so that her very numerous officers and

numerous deputies would get but from one third the pay they now get, and Putnam should cease to furnish the extra ten thousand and more than she receives and more than she receives. Our people are practically unanimous on the subject of division, as our petition shows.

This IS a business proposition with us backed by right, for we want to govern ourselves and keep our money at home.

So, Visalians kick all you please, and gloat over your short lived victory. Read Berry's general bill for division (was it pre-

pared by a Visalia office holder?) with disgust, for it is as light as the brain of its originators. This is the first time that you have had life enough to move, except when the perennial ague shook you.

Our facts and figures which have not been disproved by Visalians, show conclusively that we can support a county government at home cheaper than the tribute we pay to the old Lady, thirty miles away.

Now Times do not shirk the responsibility and try to throw the blame on others. Acknowledge the

corn and add not hypocrisy to your long list of wrongs to us.

Our flag is up, demanding our constitutional right.

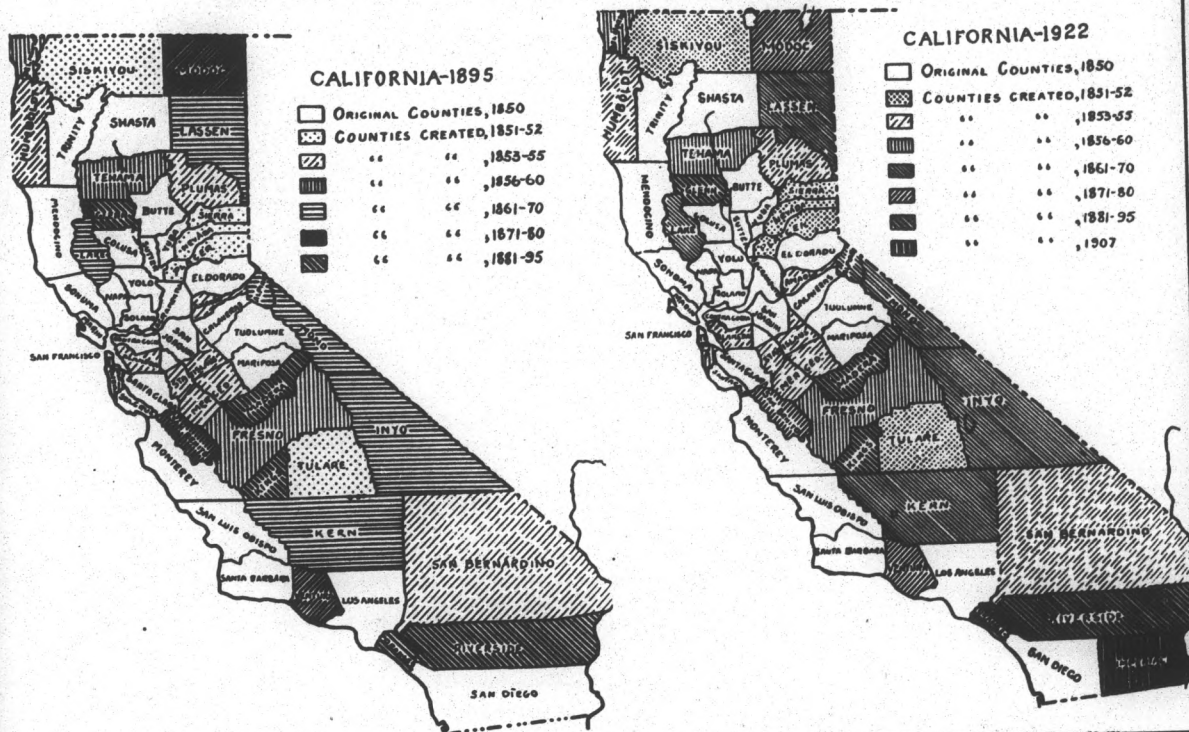


### Celebration

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inal design must not be forgotten - for, in reality, it is a day dedicated to respectful consideration of the American tradition and to respectful remembrance of men and women who made the greatest sacrifice for their country.

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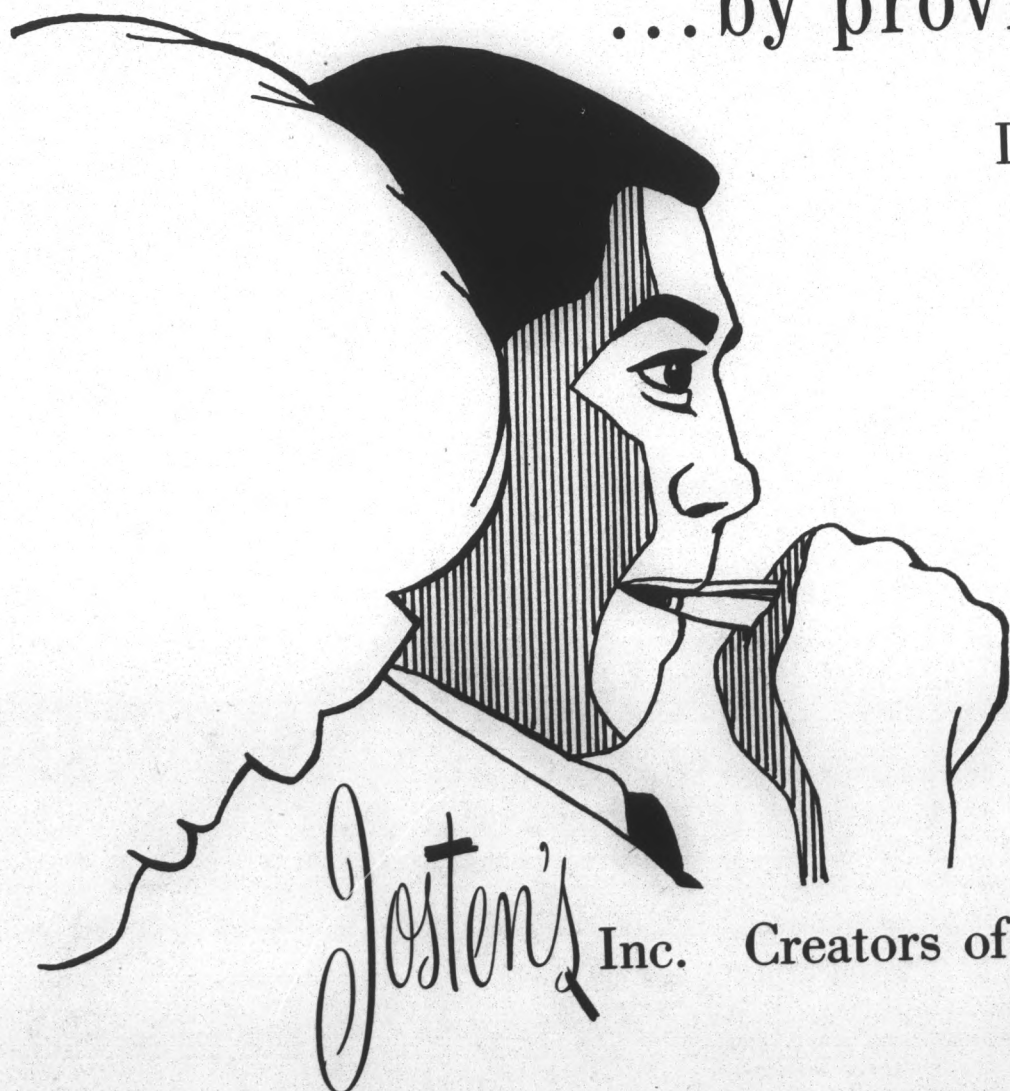
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## Homecoming

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Co-chairmen of the parade committee are Ralph Vopat, representing Post 20, The American Legion, and Danny Flores, representing Mount Whitney Post 2001, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Parade secretary is Mrs. Hazel Lofton.

Main street will be kept clear of traffic throughout the morning of November 11 until the parade is finished. Hockett, Second and D streets will be open.

## Visalia Better Get A Move On

December 16, 1892

Would it not be well for Visalia to get a move on, and have some more costly buildings put up? Hospital, Hall of Records, another jail worse but costlier than the present if possible, etc., and create a large county indebtedness in order to have a better tax argument on the people and keep the big county together a little longer for the benefit of Visalia.

## Split The County

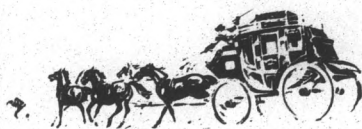
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into smaller counties.

But by the time Porterville got into the act in the 1890s, the trend was approaching an end. And at the same time Porterville was trying to form Putnam county, a plan that did not succeed, Tulare City was also attempting to set up Buena Vista county, with Tulare as the county seat, a plan that also failed, and Hanford was working to form Kings county, with Hanford as the county seat - a plan that was approved in 1893 by the same state legislature that failed to approve formation of Putnam county.

Proponents of the Putnam county plan contended that the south end of Tulare county paid the taxes but Visalia got the fat. They said it was too far and too expensive to go to Visalia to transact business and that the proposed Putnam county had sufficient population and sufficient assessed value to operate with less taxes than Tulare county was then spending in Visalia.

Of course Tulare City opposed Porterville, as did Visalia. So read on and see what politics was like 75 years ago.



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## COUNTY IS DIVIDED BUT NOT INTO PUTNAM COUNTY

March 17, 1893

The Kings county bill passed both the Senate and Assembly and will be a new county if the Governor does not veto it. We are informed that a delegation of Visalians have gone to implore the Governor to veto the bill. The Buena Vista and Putnam county bills would have passed both houses if the legislature had not adjourned. Our people through their delegates made a hard fight against all the wealth of Visalia. We are not whipped, but we are in the ring for the next round. Congratulations to Kings and sympathy for Buena Vista. We will have to continue for some time, paying our revenue into the coffers of Visalia. We will do so, and go to Visalia simply because we are legally compelled to. Virtually we are divorced and legally we will be.

April 21, 1893

The Visalia anti-divisionists appear to find a little grain of consolation in a statement of the Bee in which a newspaper lawyer thinks that the acts of the last legislature in dividing counties are unconstitutional. Well, if the Supreme Court and the people decide that there shall be no more counties until 1901, we bear it cheerfully; but we will not cheerfully bear the deprivation of our constitutional right by a few politicians.

May 26, 1893

It is passing strange indeed, that elections are so decided that some people lie or they are false prophets. The tall sycamore, the ex-officer Jew, some Hon (?) legislators, brother Ferg and little Grady, did each ope his mouth and speak saying: Only a few real estate men and a few would-be officers wanted county division. Yet notwithstanding such positive and truthful (?) pronouncements from such prophets, Riverside, Madera and Kings did say by many, many thousands majority that they wanted and would have division, new counties and prosperity at home. Let us be charitable and smooth the ruffled fur of old county seat disconsolates by saying this is not a good year for prophets.

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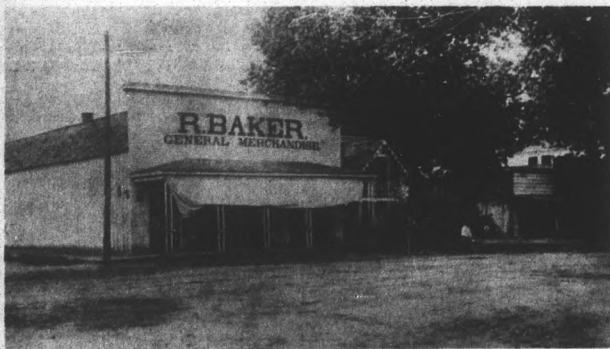
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## WELCOME MISS CALIFORNIA



KAREN PURSELL, of Strathmore, who now reigns as Miss California, will be "coming home" herself when she appears in the November 11 Veterans' Day and Homecoming parade in Porterville. Miss Pursell, a student at Fresno State

college, recently competed in the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City. She will ride in a special convertible and will be accompanied to Porterville by Kay Dillon, executive director of the Miss California pageant at Santa Cruz.

## "Coyote" Suggested By Visalians As Better Name For A New County

November 9, 1967

In the early 1890s, when pressure to divide Tulare county reached a high point, the Visalia Board of Trade, meeting in January of 1893, suggested that a good name for a new county with either Porterville or Lindsay as the county seat would be "Coyote County," and that if a new county was centered around Tulare, it should be "Jack Rabbit County," while a proposed new county with Hanford as the county seat should be called "Wild Goose County."

In a story covering the development of Tulare county that appeared in the Golden Century Edition of the Visalia Times - Delta, published in June of 1959 to mark the 100th year of the Times-Delta, a summary of information shows that during the 1880s the early 1890s, Hanford was proposing formation of Kings county, with, of course, Hanford as the

county seat, a plan that succeeded; Tulare wanted a new county, Wheatland, and Lindsay had vision of being the seat of a new Citrus County.

Actually, Porterville did get a bill into the state legislature for creation of Putnam county, and Tulare had a bill for creation of Buena Vista county, but neither were successful.

Porterville's version of the controversy is indicated in Section One of this issue of The Farm Tribune.

Visalia residents opposed any split in Tulare County or any change of location of the county seat. At the 1893 Visalia Board of Trade meeting, M. J. Rouse, a rancher, fruit packer, civic leader and president of the Board of Trade, said that Visalia's politicians were "tootimid in the matter," and that Visalia should fight the partitioning of the county forthrightly, as such a

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## DENNISON LAND SLIDE AREA VISITED

By Forrest Reed

One hundred years ago in December, 1867, two areas totaling about 1000 acres of the Garfield Grove of Big Trees slid into the south fork of Kaweah river. The slide containing many Redwood Big Trees washed downstream and were deposited in the town of Visalia according to newspaper accounts of the day. These accounts stated that following 41 days of continuous snow in the high

elevations a warm rain during the day of December 20 caused a mountain slide that sent two portions of the Garfield Grove of Big Trees down into the Kaweah river. These mountain slides moved into the river and ended in six feet of water over what is now Visalia.

Recently, one hundred years later, six individuals from the Porterville - Vi-

salia area decided to visit the source of the mountain movement. The party consisted of Frank Kidder, Fred Strauss, and Ray Longley of Porterville, Joe McIntyre of Madera, Joe Doctor of Exeter, and Forrest Reed of Santa Rosa. The group left from Clark Wicks pack station at Mountain Home and camped at Summit Meadow, the source of the north fork of

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## PROGRESS EDITION — SECTION TWO

### Take Pride In American Patriotism

November 9, 1967

"We should take pride in American patriotism, pride in our original patriots who fought for the inalienable rights of men and for individual freedom, pride in all American patriots who were willing to lay down their lives for principles in which they, and we believe."

Thus spoke Commander Nilus W. Hubble, Senior Catholic chaplain at the Lemoore Naval Air station, when he delivered the principal address at annual Veterans' Memorial service, held Sunday evening at the Porterville Memorial building.

And special tribute was (Continued On Page 7)

### STATE SENATOR IS GRAND MARSHAL



HONORED THIS year by being selected as grand marshal for Porterville's 49th annual Veterans' Day and Homecoming celebration parade, is State Senator Howard Way, of Exeter, shown above with Mrs. Way.

He will lead a parade that is shaping up as the finest in several years; it will move south through the downtown business district at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 11.

(Farm Tribune photo)

### DILLONWOOD, JORDAN AND HOCKETT TRAILS DISCUSSED BY HISTORIAN

November 9, 1967

By Joe Doctor

The dream of Forrest Reed, a Santa Rosa developer, to establish a performing arts center, recreation and summer home area in one of the last of Tulare County's undeveloped scenic and historic high Sierra tracts held in private ownership is being stymied by one prime factor - lack of access.

The tract is 1540 acres lying within the historic Dillonwood basin on the north fork of the Tule River east of Porterville. It is walled by majestic Moses mountain on the south and the sheer ascent of Dennison peak on the north, with a high connecting ridge on the north. Within the basin is the largest stand of Sequoia Gigantea held in private ownership in the state. It contains trails which are perhaps more than 100 years old and similar passages of a later vintage which offer the opportunity for riding and hiking in spectacularly beautiful high country now seldom visited.

Until early last December, when a storm deposited more than 30 inches of rain on the steep mountain slopes above Dillonwood in the space of three days, Reed had access to his property over eight miles of rough, unsurfaced

road that had been built by loggers in the 1860's and had been maintained since logging operations ceased some 60 years ago only for fire protection access. The storm literally devastated the road by sending a tremendous torrent of water down the canyon, tearing out a great scar along the stream course, which the road followed closely, as much as 100 yards wide where it was formerly almost narrow enough to jump across.

Reed and his engineering consultant, Fred Strauss of Porterville, have decided that except for the first mile and a half, it will be necessary to relocate the entire road at higher level away from the stream; six plus miles of the road traverses Sequoia National Forestland.

There is hope that a mile and a half of the torn out road may be roughly reconstructed this winter and spring through cooperation

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### Porterville Keeps Trying To Split Tulare County, Form Putnam County

(Ed. note, Nov. 9, 1967- Even though Porterville was unsuccessful in splitting Tulare county and forming Putnam county in 1893, efforts were continued into 1894 and 1895. In the first section of this issue of The Farm Tribune are editorial comments from the Porterville Enterprise regarding the attempted split that failed, although Kings county was formed. Following are further comments, from the Enterprise, regarding the renewed effort, which, history shows, also failed.)

April 14, 1893

Apropos of county division we desire to offer a few words on the subject from time to time, without apology and to emphasize the fact that Putnam county must be divorced from old Tulare, for we are virtually separate outside of legal bonds and whatever we may have said in regard to Visalians on the subject, we will say further that we know that we have many friends in Visalia who are honest, intelligent and generous enough to concede to us our constitutional rights in the premises; in fact we know that we have a greater number of friends in

Old Tulare county, than those few who, with their official representatives fought us so bitterly, and still further seek to hold us against our consent and interest. The question of county division was not an issue during the last campaign, although we do not doubt now that it may have been a private pledge by a few office-seekers to a select semi - pensioned official coterie and friends of Visalia, but we do say that it will be made an open square test and issue at the next campaign and no dozen Visalians can forever thwart the will of the thousands of people. We were not whipped nor disappointed in the preliminary skirmish, and we will make an aggressive fight without secret pledges or fear until Putnam county assumes the proud political distinction and legal position it is entitled to. So, take warning. We may lose the Assemblyman this time if a new man runs from Visalia, but we will not lose the Senator.

February 9, 1894

The difference in the manner of conducting the affairs of Tulare and Kings counties by the Supervisors

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# SCENE OF LAND SLIDE INTO KAWEAH THAT CAUSED BIG FLOOD OF 1867



## Dennison Land Slide

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Tule river. The slide area was reached by a walk of about one thousand feet. Upon reaching the crest of Dennison Ridge the six man group saw what was timbered section of Garfield Grove carved down to solid rock mountain. From their vantage point of 9300 elevation it was not difficult to imagine that it must have been an awesome sight and sound to have been on this slope the evening of December 20, 1867 as the mountains moved and the heavens roared in protest. The group had thought of 3000 year old redwood trees as old yet it was apparent that even these ancient living trees are but babes in the mountains for the mountain itself, upon which the trees grow,

is continuously moving.

While investigating the slide area the six man group walked over the Jordan trail constructed in 1861-62 as a toll road to service the mines operating around Lone Pine some 115 miles away. The rock work on the trails done more than 100 years ago as a private venture were found in excellent condition although no upkeep work in recent years is evident to keep these trails open.

These areas can be reached within a five hour trip from Porterville at present and with development of roads could be reached within a two hour travel time.

## MOUNTAIN TRAILS USED DURING CIVIL WAR DAYS

### DILLONWOOD

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of the U. S. Forest Service and the State Division of Forestry, plus a contribution of Reed's own funds. The Division of Forestry has indicated that it may be able to obtain the use of prison inmates at the Mountain Home rehabilitation camp during the cold weather when work at higher elevations is impractical. This crew would be mainly concerned with "brushing out" the right of way.

The U. S. Forest Service is interested in reestablishing access into the area, at least as far as Jack Flat, where there is an excellent camping ground and are willing to advance some of the funds needed if a cooperative ef-

fort would bring the road to Jack Flats. If this is achieved, there remains the problem of reconstructing another four miles of road across forest service land to the Dillonwood boundary. Reed has the responsibility of road construction on his own land.

The old road takes off from the Blue Ridge road, at a point which is only a mile or so from the forks of the Milo road up the north fork of the Tule river. One fork of the road at Milo branches to the south to Balch Park, the other fork going north to Blue Ridge and Jack Flat. The Dillonwood road had the advantage of rising from an altitude of about 3,000 feet to 7,000 feet on nearly a straight line

due east, without the necessity of climbing ridges and offers the opportunity of the fastest access to high Sierra country with a minimum of road expenditure.

The division of forest fire protection among the various agencies has given the State Division of For-

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THIS USED to be the road to Dillonwood, but that was prior to the flood of December 1966, when virtually all of the road -

some on private property and some on Forest Service property - was washed out. At present there seems to be little pos-

sibility that the road into the historic Dillonwood country above Springville will be rebuilt any further than Jack Flat.

## "STRAIGHT LINE" ROAD FROM 3,000 TO 7,000 FEET Dillonwood

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estry the primary responsibility for the Dillonwood agencies, although full cooperation of the forest service and park service in fire fighting is inevitable because of the nature of the lands around the basin. Ray Banks, state ranger in charge of the division of forestry in the county, is much concerned with the lack of access into a highly combustible area.

"We were able to control the recent Shepherd's Peak fire at Three Rivers with a minimum loss because of the access to it," Banks points out. "The Dillonwood basin has no such access. Under the right conditions, fire could sweep to the top of the ridges

and into Garfield Grove before we could control it."

Dillonwood has a history of more than 100 years of use and occupancy by white loggers, hunters and summer residents. Surprisingly, that history does not include a serious fire. Its redwoods are comparatively free from fire scars, indicating that no serious fire had occurred in pre-white times. However, the Moses tree fire that attracted the nation's interest two years ago occurred in this area. This fire in the top of a state-ly old monarch of the grove was caused by a lightning strike and resisted the efforts of fire fighters for over a week until it was finally extinguished. The burned top of this tree, which still lives, indicates

that fire is an ever present threat to the area.

Nathan Dillon, after a rather bad experience with the flood waters of 1862 in a grist mill operation on the Kaweah river eight miles east of Visalia, decided to try his hand at producing much needed lumber for valley settlers and acquired timber claims in the area that was later to bear his name. Transportation of the finished product out of the mountains to market was one of the big problems of early millmen in the Sierra, and the comparatively easy access to the Dillonwood area no doubt was a big factor in Dillon's choice of the upper north fork of the Tule river as the site for his operation. For more

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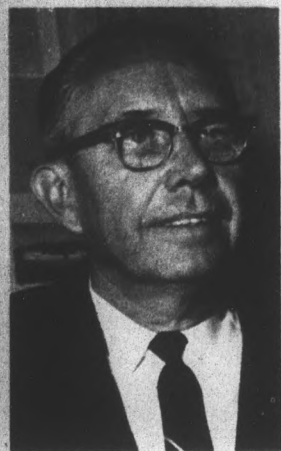
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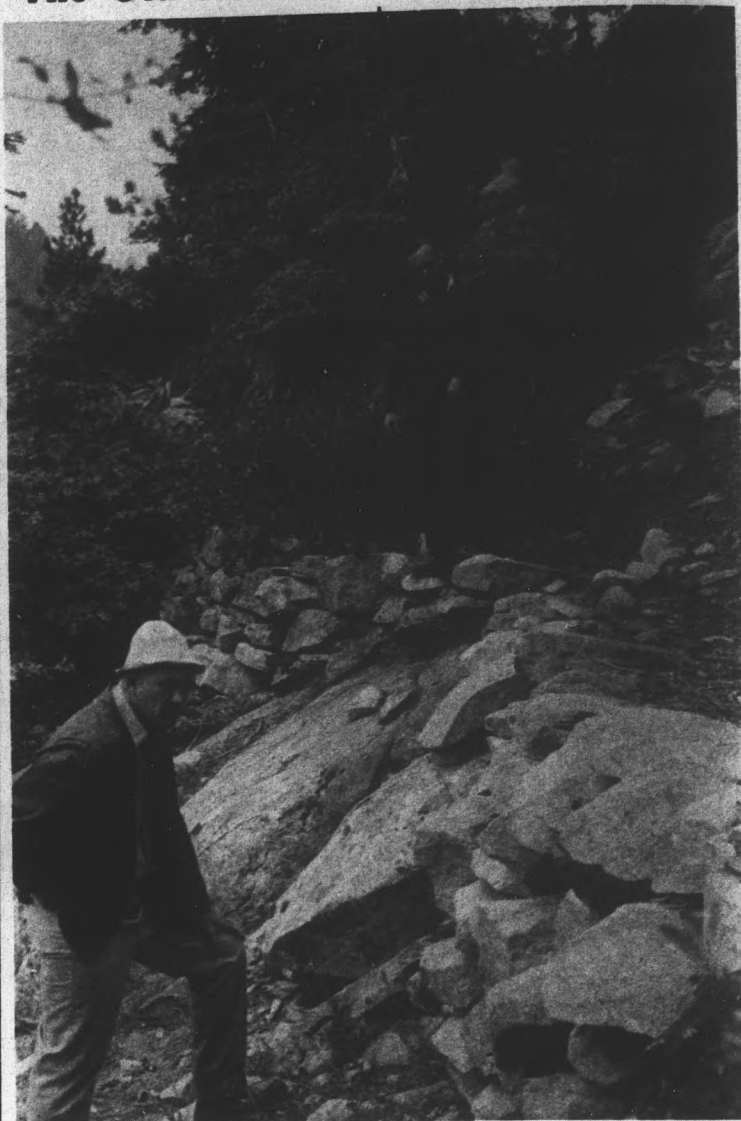
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## The Old Hockett Trail — Still Good



FORREST REED, lower left, and Frank Kidder, president of the Porterville chamber of commerce, look over a section of the old Hockett trail on the south side of Dennison Gap, a

trail that was used a hundred years ago by mountain men, packers, and soldiers to cross the Sierra. Although not being currently maintained, the trail is in good shape.



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## NATHAN DILLON STARTED LOGGING IN DILLONWOOD AREA BACK IN 1862

### Dillonwood

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that 40 years Dillon and others carried on intermittent logging and milling operations in the area. There are two mill sites there and the ruins of one of the mills may still be seen. At one time, Dillon built a seven mile flume from his mill, and in this floated the finished lumber down to Dillon's Dump, where it was loaded onto wagons for transportation to Porterville and other communities on a road which had none of the steep grades that made problems for the lumber interests in the Mountain Home country to the south and the upper Kings river tributaries to the north.

Trails into this area were available to Nathan Dillon even as of the time of the start of his operation, but they were constructed due to other considerations. During the Civil War period, military camps were established at Visalia and at Camp Independence, across the Sierra in Inyo county. There was need for ready communication between the two military camps, as many of the miners in the Coso region and the cattlemen and others in Visalia were pro - Secessionist, who needed watching. Inyo county was also having serious trouble with the Paiute Indians. Visalia was also the most accessible supply point for the Coso mines in Inyo county. It

was felt that a trail shorter than that which went up Kern river and across Walker pass was necessary. Indian runners who knew the old Indian trade trails were said to be able to travel from Visalia to Camp Independence in three days.

Accordingly, for both commercial and military reasons, the Tulare County supervisors issued a franchise to John Jordan in 1861 to build a toll trail across the mountains. It started up Yokohl valley east of Exeter, crossed Blue Ridge into the Milo country, and then went up the North Fork of the Tule. It is said to have gone southeast to the Balch Park area and then east by an indefinite route which may have included Peck's Canyon until it hit the Big Kern river. There it stopped. The Kern river was high in the late spring of 1862 and Jordan and one of his sons attempted to cross it on a raft. The raft capsized in the swift water. Jordan's son made it to shore, but John Jordan, a rugged pioneer, who captained a wagon train across the plains to California in the early 1850's was never seen again.

Next to undertake the venture was John B. Hockett of Porterville, who built his trail up the north fork of the Tule, probably used part of Jordan's trail but crossed the first high ridge of the Sierra somewhere in

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## SUMMIT MEADOW AT HEAD OF THE NORTH TULE



THAT'S RAY LONGLEY DOING A BIT OF HORSE WRANGLING

## Dillonwood

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the vicinity of Hockett Meadow before bending south to follow the various watersheds to the Big Kern. He eventually built his trail to Olancha, and by 1863 it was used by commercial pack trains as well as the military until the McFar-

land wagon road was completed a few years later farther to the south.

No doubt either the Jordan trail or the Hockett trail, perhaps both, traversed the area within, or overlooking, Dillonwood Basin. There is a remnant of an old trail high on Dennison mountain,

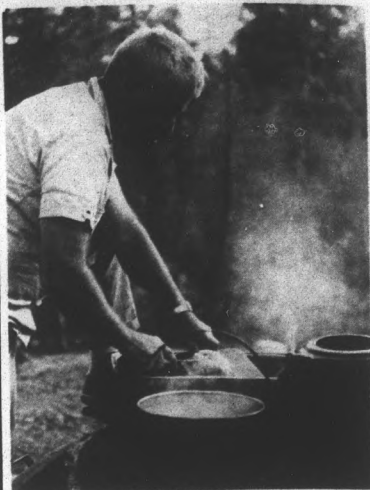
crossing Dennison gap. It is known to the park service as Soldier's Trail, a name it might have acquired either from its association with the Civil War days or from the possibility it was built during the years the army was charged with the administration of Sequoia National

## 41 DAYS OF RAIN, TREMENDOUS ROAR, MOUNTAINS TREMBLED, THEN FLOOD

park. The trail was well built and despite the fact that few persons use it in modern times, it is still well defined by rockwork and tree blazes.

Reed, who has timber interest in both California and Oregon, bought Dillonwood several years ago on the speculation that its timber might be a major source of development. While it still has such possibilities, these are now secondary and would involve only those areas where thinning of heavy growth timber is needed. Reed has lost his heart to the scenic and recreational charm of the area and would like to see it developed to its full potential for public enjoyment. Cutting of any of the majestic redwood which lend to the charm is farthest from his thoughts.

He will talk for hours about his dream for Dillonwood as a performing arts center, as a starting point for quick access by hikers and pack trains to



JOE DOCTOR - Mountain Man

the more remote areas of the Sierra to the east, as the site for a guest ranch, whose clientele would be more interested in hiking, riding, fishing and hunting than in mere socializing, as a place where summer cabins for those in the middle income brackets could be accommodated.

Reed recognizes that he will not see his dream fully realized in his lifetime. One part of it he had hoped to see accomplished, was the construction of a hard-surfaced road. The flood of December 1967, made it less likely that it may come to pass.

If one climbs Dennison mountain to the north out of Dillonwood, it is about a three-mile hike up to Summit Meadow, one end of which drains into the north fork of the Tule river, the other into the south fork of the Kaweah. Near Garfield Grove, on the Kaweah side of the mountain, is a great rock-jumbled scar, which Reed believes, marks the area of the slide which occurred in December, 1867, when pioneer resident, Ira Blossom, who lived on the south fork of the Kaweah, reported that after 41 days of rain there was a tremendous roar and the mountain trembled. The rushing river soon was only a trickle near his house. Surmising what had happened, Blossom waited through the night to await the results. A great swath of heavily timbered area had slid from Dennison mountain all the way to the bottom of the canyon, damming the stream. When the lake behind reached a certain height, the dam, which included soggy earth laced with trees of many sizes and kinds, including Sequoia, gave away and a 40-foot wall of water swept by Blossom's cabin. By nightfall, Visalia was five feet under water when the flood receded, farmers in the Kaweah delta reported that one might walk all the way to town without stepping off of the debris that had washed down from the mountains.

Last December, residents of the Tule river which bore the brunt of the 1966 flood, called it the 100-year flood. Reed, in looking up the 1867 flood which tore out a large chunk of Dennison mountain, surveys the damage to his own aspirations with a philosophic eye. He wants to make sure that any road that is built into Dillonwood is high and dry.

"It may not happen again for a hundred years," he says, "but then again, it could happen next year."

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## Porterville Keeps Trying To Split Tulare County, Form Putnam County

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is making advocates for county division in the former county. The Board of Supervisors in Tulare county appropriate to themselves more than four times the money required as salaries for the Kings county board. The deputy assessors are allowed nearly double the time at one dollar per diem more than is allowed the deputies in Kings county. There are hundreds of competent men who would have gladly accepted the appointment as deputy assessor at \$3 per day. Why did the board allow \$5? -Ex.

The above is a plain, truthful story by a neighboring contemporary, but the best part of the story is that Kings county is running happily and safely on a lower rate of county taxation than old Tulare county. Wonder if Jacobs et als will try to smother us to death again with sympathy?

April 6, 1894

A Citizens Mass Meeting will be held in Porterville April 21st, for the purpose of discussing all matters that in the judgment of said meeting is necessary to insure safe plans to secure the above named object, county division. The signers of this call do in no sense, attempt to bind their respective parties to the action of said meeting.

Ben F. Hockett, Dem.,  
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G. Burns, Pop.

January 18, 1895

The People of this portion of the county are moving in the matter of county division. The object of the first work will be to endeavor to have passed a general bill, which will be equitable to all old and new counties; then to proceed under the bill to form Putnam County on the lines or thereabouts as presented two years ago, that is east and south from the northwest corner of Township 20 south, Range 26 east, taking the northeast part of Tulare, and a territory of about two thousand miles. Our population is about six thousand and wealth perhaps four or five millions.

Our people are practically of one opinion on the subject; most of those who opposed the proposition before are now in favor of it.

Meetings have been called and committees appointed, and a representative is going to Sacramento to look after our welfare.

As our large counties become populous it is absolutely necessary to divide and sub-divide for the convenience of the people and from a financial standpoint it is also necessary.

The people should consider this subject well, take

in all the circumstances and decide as men of reason, and if in favor help the cause by your presence, advice and the donation of a small amount of the needful in order to defray expenses, for it may be necessary to take a census of the people of the proposed new county.

## "Coyote" Suggested

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move would be disastrous to county finances.

George Stewart, editor of the Visalia Delta, said that any new counties would have a difficult time financing their government on assessments available to them.

N. O. Bradley, a leading Visalia attorney, supported Stewart's views on the grounds that the mountains would never be thickly settled or have high property valuations.

Men attending the Board of Trade meeting felt that the biggest inducement to partition was the ambition of each community to be a county seat.

So it went, three quarters of a century ago. Porterville is still in Tulare county, not Coyote, or Jack Rabbit, or Citrus, or Wild Goose, or Buena Vista - or even Putnam county.

And Visalia is still the county seat.

So be it.



## TAKE PRIDE

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paid to Porterville men who have given their lives in Vietnam by the Rev. Ragnar Kjeldahl, Protestant chaplain at the Porterville State hospital, who recited their names and delivered a memorial prayer.

On this honored list are: S/Sgt. Donald T. Erikson; Cmd. Rodney Carter, Ensign Gary Thornton, Chief Warrant Officer James Watson, SpT/4 Tommy Mizzle, PFC Wayne Wagner, PFC Clifford Allan Jones, Pvt 1/C Ronnie Phelps, Sp/4 Pat Phillips, PFC Roger Mitchell, PFC George H. Winklenpleck, and Pvt. Ed. Turner.

"Patriotism," Commander Hubble said, "is more than a uniform, more than waving a flag, more than placing wreaths on graves. Patriotism is love of God and love of Country in God; patriotism means honoring our country and honoring those who serve our country. And all of us can be patriots."

Commander Hubble said that America is made up of human beings, and that our leaders are human beings, not God.

"We can make mistakes," he said. "Because of our American freedom we can object strenuously when we disagree. But the real stroke of Patriotism is when men and women of America stand behind America in the great patriotic tradition of those who sacrificed hope and life so that our country can

stand strong and proud. "Tonight we honor the memory of those who have done so much, and we honor their families as well, turning to God and asking for help in remaining loyal to America and to God."

Commander Hubble said that we must not look only to memories, but we must also look ahead, for always the rights and freedoms of mankind must be defended.

It is easy to divorce ourselves from things we don't like, such as war, Commander Hubble said, then he emphasized that none of us would willingly give up what we have in America - no one would willingly give away American freedom.

"Why not this evening turn to God for strength to serve like the patriots before us," Commander Hubble said, in carrying out the virtues of patriotism in daily living - love of God, and love of country in God. There is no greater task than to carry out this cherished work already begun."

Participating also in the memorial program were: The Rev. Charles M. Brandon, The Rev. Father Neal Sorber, The Rev. Fred Fanthorpe, The Rev. Father Joseph A. Farrington, and The Rev. Ralph Daniel.

Musical selections were presented by the Monache High School band, under direction of Buch Shaffer, and by the Porterville High School Concert choir, directed by Dean Semple. Soloist was Bob Anderson, accompanied by Betty Deaton.

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Not In Photo - Lola Fees  
And Ralph Muehlenbruch



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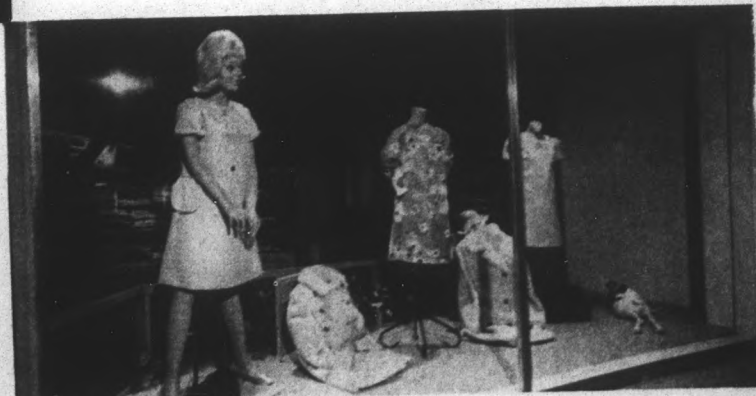
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THERE THEY are - members of the Porterville High School class of 1902, when they graduated and when they returned to Porterville in November of 1952 for a 50th reunion. They got together again in 1962, now it's time for their 65th year reunion, which is coming up the evening of November 10 at Gang Sue's. Top photo: Back row, from left: Leslie Claibes, John Orr, Keith Sprott, Robert Williams, and Villette Boller; second row - Gus Leslie, Emory Harper, Clara Carr, George Williamson, and Guy Knupp; front row - Pearle Zalud, Lillian Claibes, Louise Sprott and Will Leslie. Also in the class were: Alice Davidson, Ethel Rose, Mary Scott Willott and Harry Barbero. Fifty years later, lower photo, from left: Back row: Gus Leslie, Emory Harper, Harry Barbero, Frank Howard (a member of the 1902 high school faculty) Keith Sprott and Robert Williams; front row - Pearle Zalud, Alice Davidson, Lillian Lockyer, George Williamson, Will Leslie and Guy Knupp.

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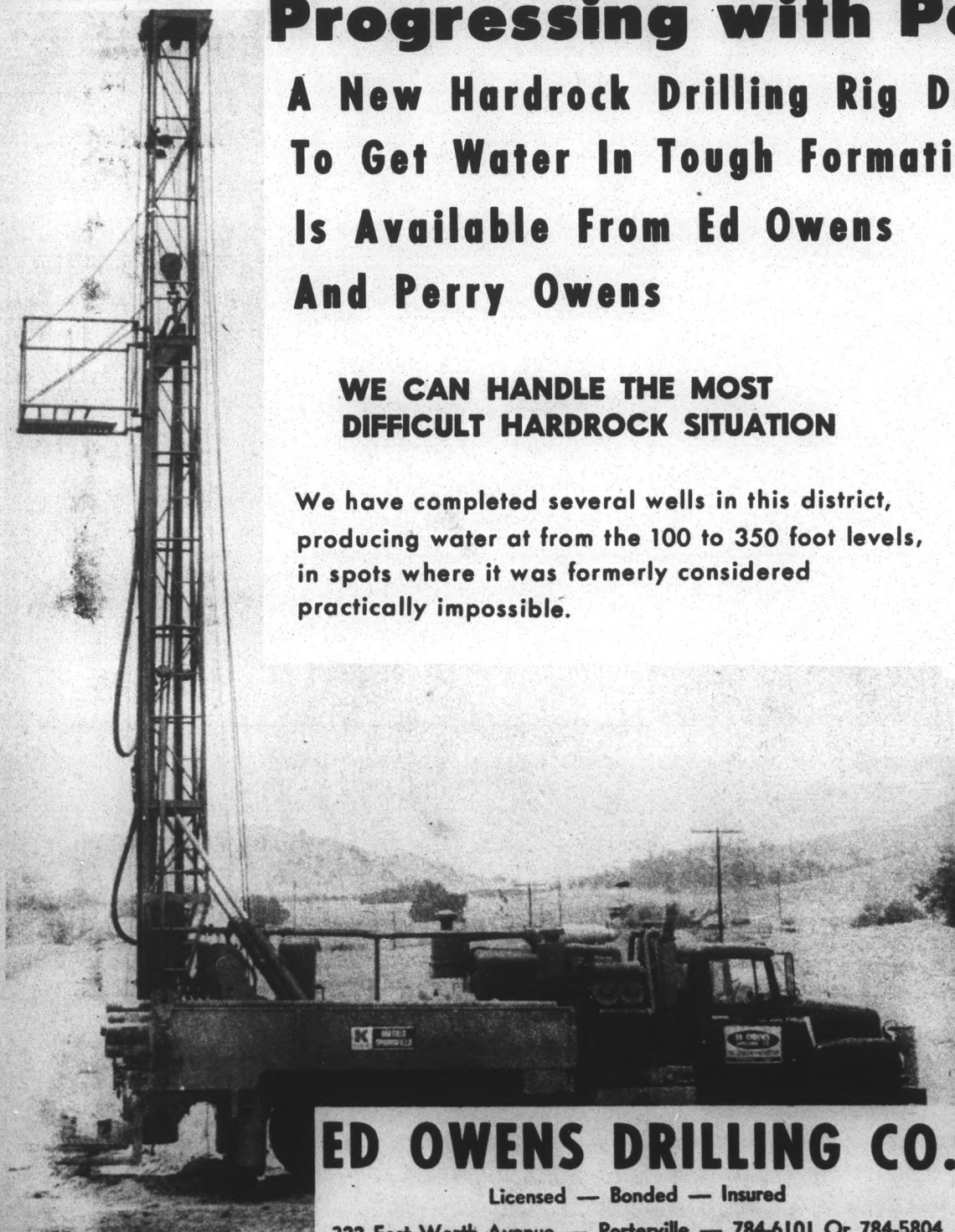
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PRINTED ON short notice was the above handbill that appeared on the streets of Porterville the

morning of November 11, 1918, to announce a legal holiday marking the end of World War I

- Armistice Day. The handbill was loaned for publication by Ray Holloway.



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**The "GLOBE STAR" Published By  
Henry Himogal In January, 1902**

(Ed. Note, Nov. 9, 1967 - Original copy of the Globe Star courtesy of Fred Bolstad.)

The community of Globe had its own newspaper back in the "old days," or at least it had one edition of a newspaper, handwritten by its editor, Henry Himogal, and published on January 31, 1902; yearly subscription was listed as \$2.50; a single copy cost five cents. Following is the news of the day at Globe, 65 years ago:

G. W. Heartley, of Iowa, is visiting his relatives in Globe.

Will Hoover, of Minn., has been visiting his relatives in Globe for the past three weeks.

Mrs. W. W. Henley's brother and cousin from San Jose are visiting here.

Burr Young, wife and brother, are on their way to California from Illinois where they will make their future home in Globe.

Burr Breeding received a telephone message at Exeter last Tuesday that his Grandfather was very ill. He came immediately.

Tuesday evening the young people of Globe met at the Schoolhouse and organized a choir which was led by Mr. Houghton. It proved to be a success. They will meet again Saturday Evening. All members please be present.

The W.C.T.U. will meet Wednesday evening at the schoolhouse. They are to

organize Saturday afternoon. All ladies are cordially invited to be present at the meetings.

There will be services at the Schoolhouse next Sunday at half past ten, and preaching at eleven by the Reverend C. C. Hull.

This cold weather makes the easterners feel at home.

There had ought to be a collection taken up and handed over to Mr. Bursell so he can get a new front gate.

The new black-smith in  
Globe is waiting for a job.  
Please call on Will Hall.

Girls, if you want your hair dressed in the latest style, call on Ora Bursell.

Boys, now is the time to go fishing as the suckers are a little thick. It has been reported that Ashbel Crabtree caught a Minnie. We hope you all are as successful as he is.

Miss Ada Henley who has just arrived from Iowa intends to open a millinery shop in Globe. First class work at reasonable prices may be expected. Call and see her.

Anybody that wants to buy or sell out, call on J. W. Bursell.

We have been having a spell of very cold weather here. We think it is because the snow has been on the mountains so long.

Ed Sutton is moving on Will Pickerell's place.

Mr. Bursell has sold the  
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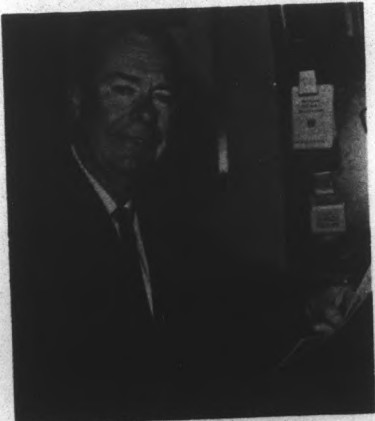
## Sales

The sales department is under the leadership of Harry Lowe, manager, left, and manned by Gale Hargett, Joe Crabtree, Gene Brogden and John Mainord. Standing in front of the new Ford are the used car salesmen Jack Beck, Doyle Pace, and Walt Boone, the used car manager.



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Left to right:  
Dean Anderson  
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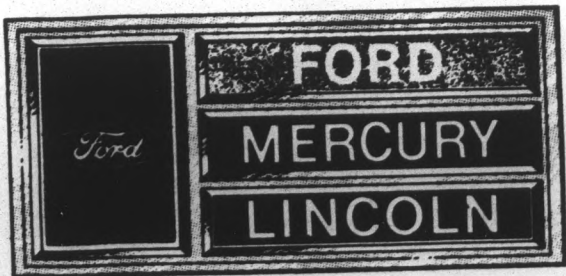


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## KEY MEN IN 49th VETERANS' DAY



HEADING UP Porterville's 49th annual Veterans' Day and Homecoming celebration are representatives of the two organizations that sponsor the event - Post 20, The American Legion, and Mount Whitney Post 2001, Veterans of Foreign Wars. At top, from left, Tony Lee, VFW,

and Ed. Flory, American Legion, co-chairmen of the celebration, and both past commanders of their respective posts; lower, from left: Herb Short, Legion post commander, and Louis Ramos, VFW post commander. (Hammond Studio photos)

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**BECKMAN EMPLOYEES**, who are in one way or another associated with Porterville college, participated in a presentation ceremony at the Beckman plant, Monday, when Beckman expandomatic pH meter was presented to Dr. Gerhard Kusserow, head of the college chemistry division and also a Beckman consultant, for use by college students. The pH meter gives an extremely accurate electro chemical analysis of

liquids, pastes and semi-solids. Beckman employees, who, with plant Manager Walter Misko, joined in the presentation were: Penny Youngquist, Reba Wolf-ram, Ann Devine, Linda Liss-ner, Millie Garrett, Faye Nalls, Evelyn Plunk, Traudel Kalb, Janice Powers, Margaret Reyes, Wanda Hendon, Jewell Doyel, Helen Flemate, Gerry Ramirez, Juamita Kuhlmann, and Lupe De LaRosa. (Farm Tribune photo)

## FRANK HOWARD WILL BE GUEST AT FREEDOM SHOW

November 9, 1967

Frank Howard, a member of the Porterville High School faculty back in 1902, will be the honored guest when the "Cost of Freedom" show is presented Friday evening between halves of the Porterville-Mt. Whitney high school football game in Jamison stadium.

He will be brought from a class of 1902 reunion at Gang Sue's in Ed. Jones famous Speedwell car.

Howard organized the first Porterville High School band in 1902 - the first high school band in California and among the first in the nation.

The modern Panther band, augmented by the Monache High band, will be featured in the patriotic "Cost of Freedom" production, written and produced by Band Director Buck Shaffer.

## Globe Star

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west half of Charlie Martindales place to Mr. McFarland of Hanford.

Mr. Boggs and Mr. R. Hoover are visiting in Los Angeles. Mr. Boggs is thinking of investing in Long Beach property.

Mr. Will Pickerell and Mrs. King spent last Sunday with us.

Misses Edith and Emma Butts are visiting Mrs. Sam McClutcheon.

There is to be a Rural Free Delivery in this vicinity after July the First.

The Henley Bro., Bert Hoover and Mr. Crites visited Upper Tule last Monday.

Bert McCutcheon does not visit Globe much lately as the road is very rough since the rain.

For Masonary or painting call on W. H. Henley.

We are sorry to hear of Mrs. A. J. Doty's little girl getting her finger mashed off and express our heartfelt sympathy for the little darling.

Mr. C. B. McCutcheon has returned from Kingston, Kings Co. to his place near Globe. He agrees with all other emigrants from Globe that there is no place like this for good health and merriment.

We hope the Literary Society at Springville shall be a success. They could not have looked the whole U. States over and found a more trusty treasurer.

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Front: Mrs. Tone Wong, Teddy Wong and Tone Wong.



COULD THIS be Porterville's first auto? The photograph was rescued from an alley trash can and carries no identification, however, the description of the first car in

Porterville seems to fit this one. Anyone have pictures or information about the first car-built in Gus Traeger's blacksmith shop?

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ELECTION:

Monday, April 9, 1906.

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TODD C. CLAUBES is a candidate for city treasurer at the coming election. Mr. Claubes is well and favorably known in Porterville and at present is employed as head druggist at G. L. Robbins' drug store, having passed all necessary examinations to become a pharmaceutical chemist. He is honest, well educated, and fully capable to act as treas-

urer for the city of Porterville if elected. (Porterville Enterprise, March 9, 1906)



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## Botulism Kills Ducks On Lake

November 9, 1967

More than 10,000 ducks have died from botulism on Tulare lake, and a co-operative effort is being made to control the situation by the California Department of Fish and Game, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service, Kings county, and property owners.

It is estimated that from

30,000 to 60,000 ducks have been exposed to the disease; more than 3,500 sick birds have been picked up and moved to fresh water.

Botulism is caused by a bacteria that lives in the soil, particularly in alkaline areas. As the bacteria grows, it gives off waste products that are toxic to ducks when taken in during feeding.

## CALIFORNIA SPEAKS

**GERALD STEC, Fresno** — "It seems the screaming and protesting of a minority determined to wreck the laws of this country causes judges to pass light sentences or give probation for such acts. For once I would like to see the laws enforced to the letter."

**WILLIAM P. CAUFIELD, S.F., on proposed tax hike** — "I would like to know in whose mind dwells the idea that I have so much surplus money in my pocket that to leave it there would cause inflation."

**PETER LYMAN, Stanford student body pres.** — "The purpose of a university is to provide a place where you can ask any question, without fear, in a community not dedicated to any particular answer."

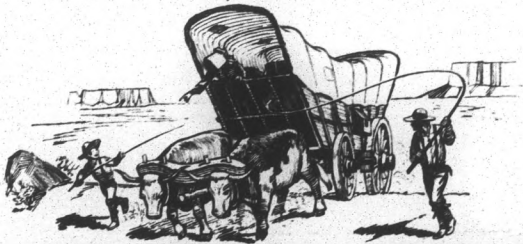
**PEGGY HOTCHKISS, 60, U.S. Forest Service lookout, San Fernando** — "I don't get lonely. I can't stand the city. The noise bothers me and the drivers down there are insane."

**MRS. J. J. LEVONIAN, La Puente** — "Children are being rushed so much, by the time they are young adults they are spent, lost at the art of growing up slowly and enjoying the small things at home."

**RICHARD G. CAPEN, JR., Copley Newspaper exec., in S. F. speech** — "Bearded pickets . . . burn their draft cards but would never hesitate to accept unemployment checks or social security benefits."

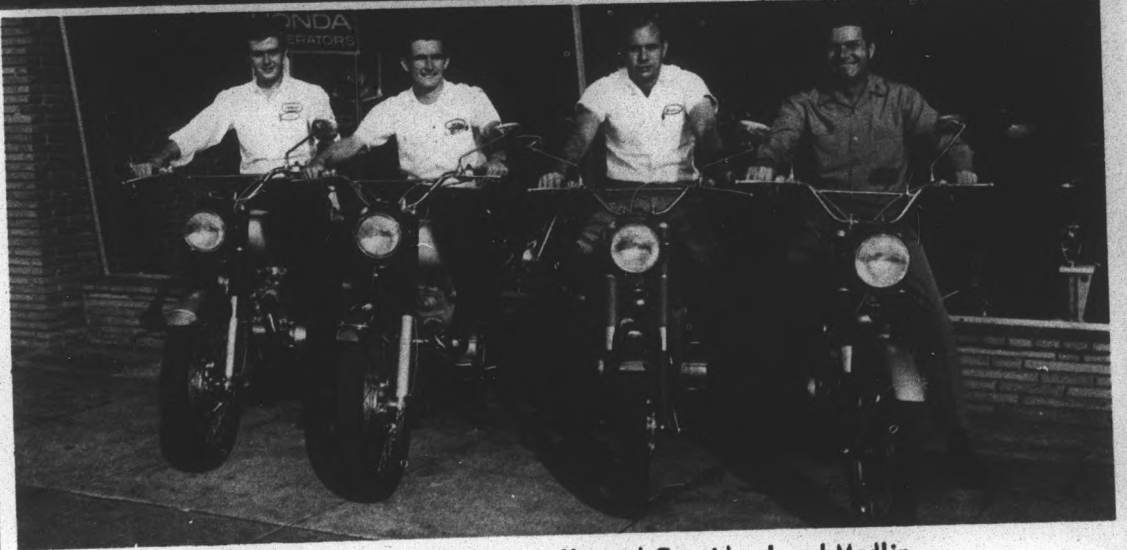
**WILLIAM L. HARR, O.D. Sacto** — "By now it must be clear to most everyone that the New Left Movement is the very opposite of everything intellectual; its followers are intolerant, hostile, egocentric, subversive, and profoundly subjective."

**RUBEN SMITH, 92, East L.A. blacksmith** — "Quit? Hell no! Not as long as my eyes are still good and my arms and legs hold out."



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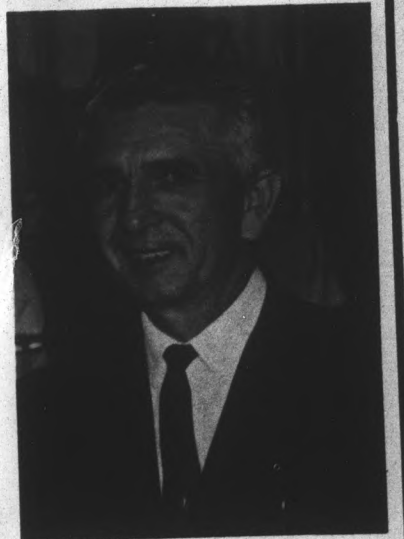
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NOT A really startling picture, but back in the "old days" these corrals near the old Southern Pacific depot on D street handled many thousands of head of cattle, driven in from the foothills for shipment by rail. In recent years, the corrals have been seldom used - trucks,

for the most part, now handling cattle shipments from this area - and the Southern Pacific company is at present taking necessary legal action to abandon the corrals. So another landmark will soon fade from the Porterville scene.

(Farm Tribune photo)

## Cattlemen Meet Next Thursday

November 9, 1967

Management, marketing and health as related to the profitable production of cattle will be the subject of a Cattlemen's forum that will be held at the Farm Bureau Assembly hall in Visalia, next Thursday, November 16, starting at 1:15 p.m.

On the program will be Dr. Charles Crane and Dr. Ray Cerniga, veterinarians from Porterville; Bob Miller, Tulare county farm advisor; Ray Holtzclaw, of the Cawelo Cattle company; Jim Capps, Elanco field representative; and Dr. George Crenshaw, University of California Extension veterinarian.

## HIGHWAY PATROL EXAMS SCHEDULED

November 9, 1967

Applications to take the written examination for State Traffic officer with the California Highway patrol on December 16 must be filed no later than Wednesday, November 22.

Application forms for the civil service examination may be obtained from the Porterville Highway Patrol office, or the Porterville office of the California Department of Employment.

## FOREIGN STUDENTS ATTEND COLLEGE

November 9, 1967

Students attending Porterville College for the fall semester are from 11 different states and 10 foreign countries. Paul R. Kercher, dean of student personnel, said 84% of the total registration is made up of 1967 Porterville High School graduates and other local residents, with the remainder coming from out - of - district, out - of - state, and from foreign countries. The net day school enrollment, as of October 1, was 705 students.

## HOLSTEIN TOPS DAIRY ASSOCIATION

November 9, 1967

A registered Holstein owned by Ray Orissio, of Tulare, topped the Tulare County Dairy Herd Improvement association for

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## Mathias On Agricultural Mission

November 9, 1967

Congressman Bob Mathias (R. - Visalia) is officially representing the United State House of Representatives at the 14th Biennial International Conference on Food and Agriculture, being held in Rome, Italy, with focus on the acute and threatening world shortage of food. Mathias is attending the Conference at the request of Speaker John McCormack and Minority Leader Gerald Ford.

As he left for Rome, Mathias said, "I am honored to have this opportunity to represent the United States. Agriculture is our

most important export industry. At the same time imports of a wide variety of commodities are seriously hurting the American farmer.

"Next year P.L. 480, the 'Food for Peace' program will be up for consideration by Congress. The knowledge gained at this Conference will be valuable to me as a member of the House Agriculture committee, particularly in evaluating the success of 'Food for Peace'."

Assignment to the Rome conference necessitated cancellation by Mathias to participate in Porterville's Homecoming parade November 11.

## PORTERVILLE MUSEUM WILL OPEN FOLLOWING NOVEMBER 11 PARADE

November 9, 1967

Porterville's fine and interesting museum will open after the Homecoming parade on November 11, and will remain open through the afternoon. All interested persons are invited to view the historic Porterville material now on display at the museum.

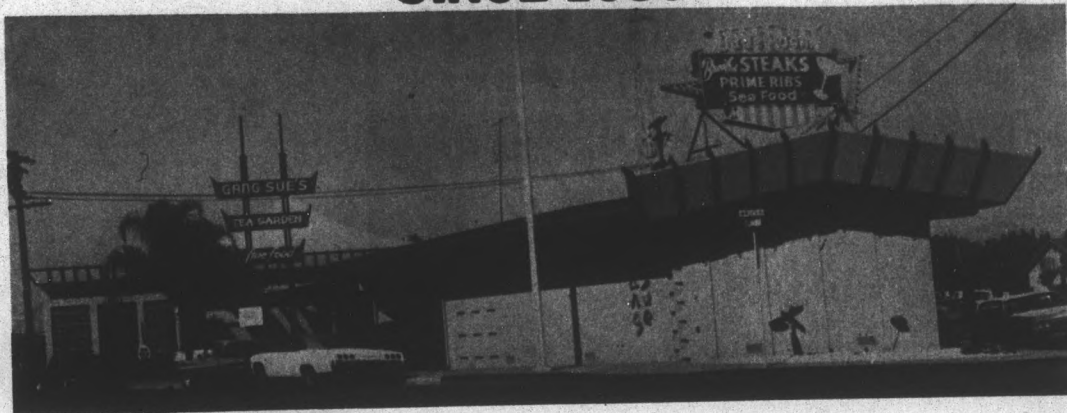
Special guests will include several of the area's

pioneers - Vira Baucom, Mrs. Ed. Goodyear, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall, J. H. Hayes and Viola Haley.

A group, headed by Marie Brey, will host the special museum opening in costumes of "the good old days."



## PORTERVILLE'S FAVORITE CATERER SINCE 1930



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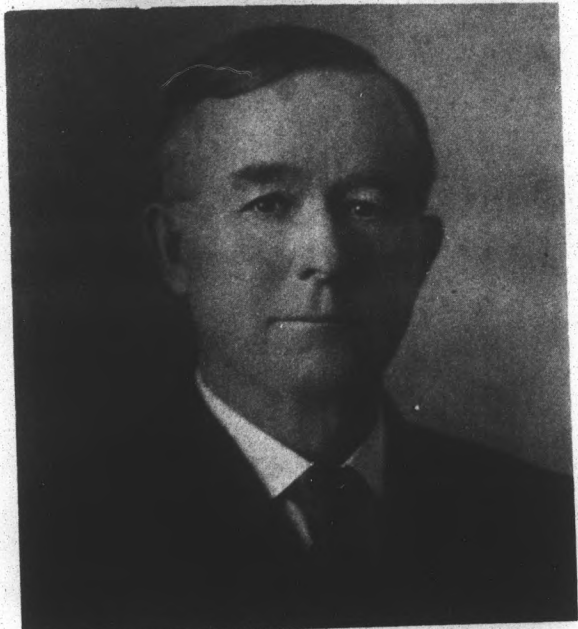
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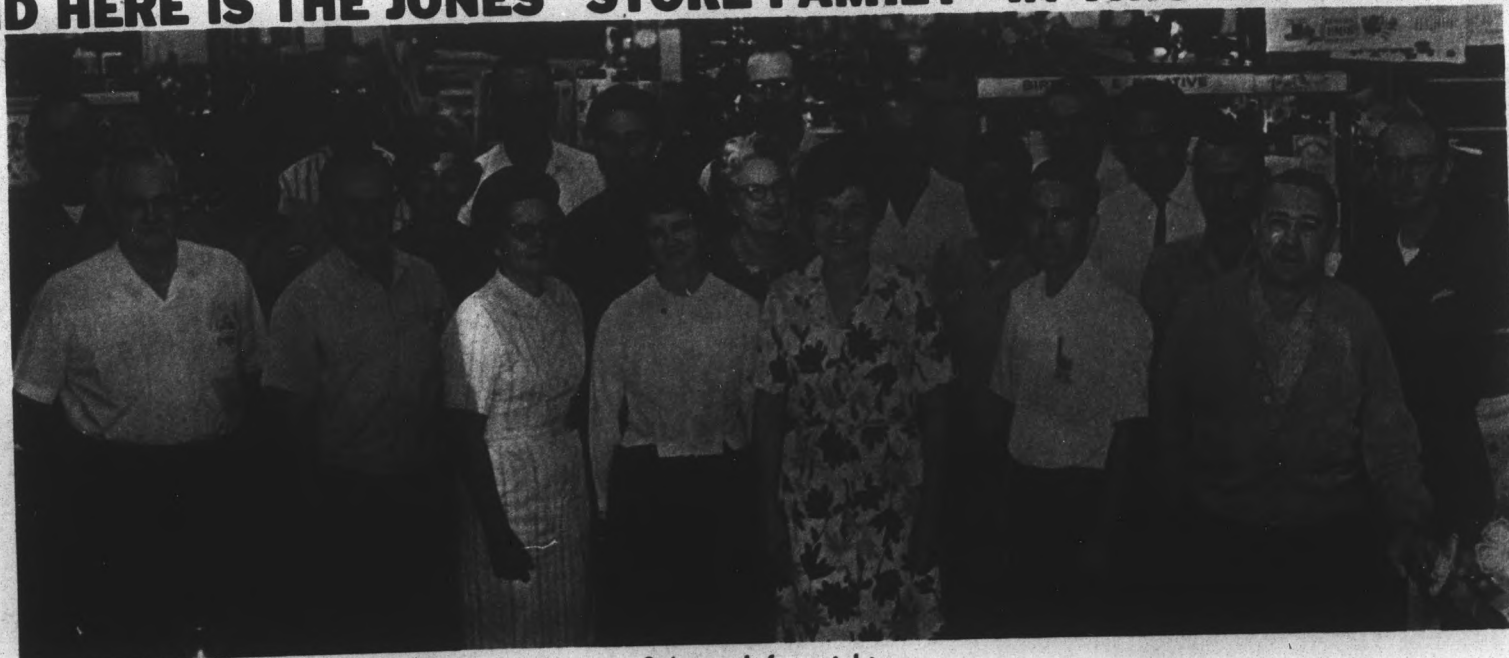
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Dorothy Barnett  
Alma Mankins  
Betty McDonald  
Alex Gonzales  
Donald Jones

2nd row, left to right:

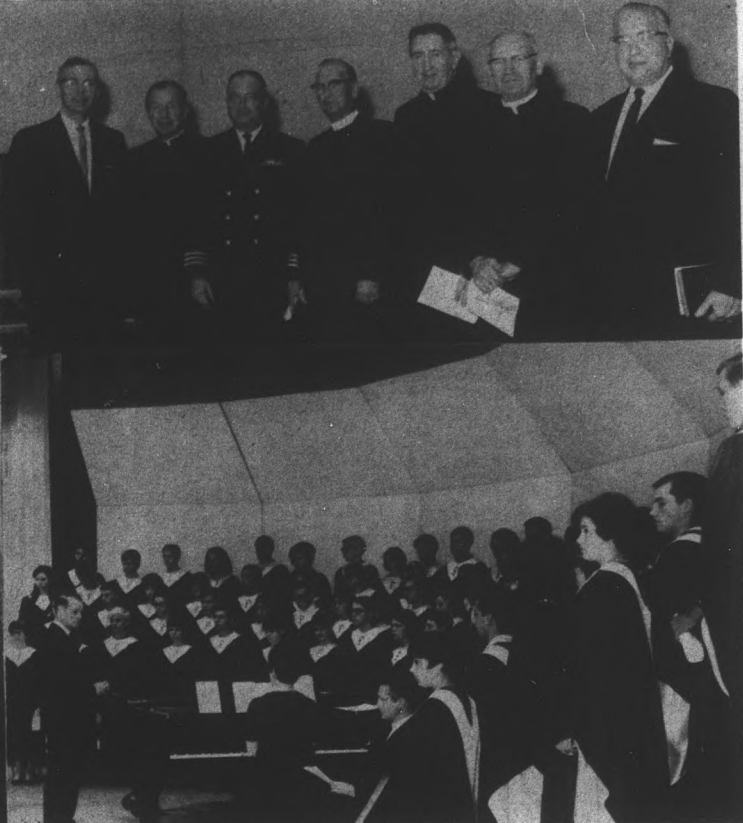
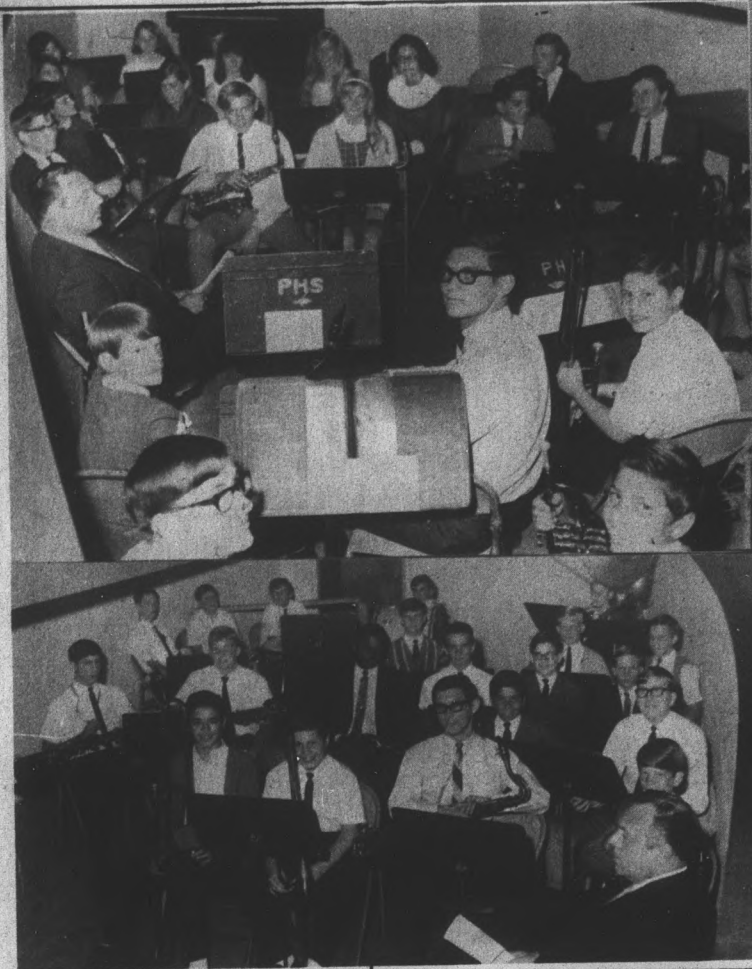
Finis Gannaway  
Ralph Luna  
Pauline Durbin  
Wanda Connor  
Louise Klepinger  
Nick Avila  
Bill Connor  
Art Montrose

3rd row, left to right:

Barney Richardson  
Loren McDonald  
Harvey Perry  
Bill Fisk  
Kenneth Unser  
Charles Weisel

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TRIBUTE TO PATRIOTS was paid last Sunday evening during a pre-Veterans' Day Memorial service held at the Porterville

Memorial auditorium under auspices of Post 20, The American Legion, and Mount Whitney Post 2001, Veterans of Foreign

Wars, along with their Women's Auxiliaries. At left, band from the new Monache High school, under direction of Buck Shaffer, provided music - the group is shown in the pit at the auditorium. Top, participants in the Memorial service, from left: The Rev. Ralph Daniel, of the First Baptist church; the Rev. Father Neal Sorber, of St. Anne's Catholic church; Commander Nilus W. Hubble, Senior Catholic chaplain, Lemoore Naval Air Station, who delivered the principal address; the Rev. Ragnar Kjeldahl, Protestant Chaplain, Porterville State Hospital, chairman of arrangements for the Memorial service; the Rev. Father Joseph A. Farrington, Catholic Chaplain, Porterville State hospital; the Rev. Charles M. Brandon, Rector Emeritus, St. John's Episcopal church; and the Rev. Fred Fanthorpe, Evangelical United Brethren church, and president of the Porterville Ministerial association. Lower photo, Dean Semple directs the Porterville High School concert choir, with Betty Deaton, as accompanist; seated is Bob Anderson, soloist for the program. (Farm Tribune photos)

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### TCPOA Meets Here Nov. 14

November 9, 1967

Tulare County Property Owners association meets in Porterville, Tuesday November 14.

The meeting in the Women's clubhouse, 265 North E street, will be open to the public. Refreshments will be served at 7 p.m. and the meeting will open at 7:30 p.m.

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SUMMONS  
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No. 64587

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Porterville, California 93257  
Attorneys for Plaintiff

FORREST JOAN CONN, Plaintiff  
vs.

JAMES LEE CONN, Defendant  
THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
To the above named Defendant:  
You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff filed in the above entitled court in the above entitled action brought against you in said court, within TEN days after the service on you of this summons, if served within the above named county, or within THIRTY days if served elsewhere.

You are hereby notified that unless you so appear and answer, said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.  
Dated February 1, 1967.  
JAMES E. HOWARD,  
Clerk  
By GENEVIEVE JEPSON  
Deputy Clerk  
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SUMMONS  
(General)  
No. 65083

Superior Court of the State of California  
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Attorneys at Law

P. O. Box 1707  
193 South Main Street  
Porterville, California 93257  
Telephone: (209) 781-1658  
FLORENCE SEARCY, Plaintiff  
vs.

GEORGE SEARCY, Defendant  
THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
To the above named Defendant:

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You are hereby notified that unless you so appear and answer, said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.  
Dated May 12, 1967.  
(SEAL)  
JAMES E. HOWARD,  
Clerk  
By GENEVIEVE JEPSON  
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SUMMONS  
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ANGELIA PEREZ, Plaintiff  
vs.

RAUL PEREZ, aka  
RAFAEL PEREZ, Defendant  
THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
To the above named Defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff filed in the above entitled court in the above entitled action brought against you in said court, within TEN days after the service on you of this summons, if served within the above named county, or within THIRTY days if served elsewhere.

You are hereby notified that unless you so appear and answer, said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.  
Dated June 22, 1967.  
JAMES E. HOWARD,  
Clerk  
By JUANITA BUNNING  
Deputy Clerk  
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NOTICE OF THE STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pioneer Water Company will be held on Monday, December 4, 1967, in the City Hall, Porterville, Tulare County, California, at 7:30 P.M. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any business which may properly come before the meeting.  
PIONEER WATER COMPANY,  
Wanda Pfeiffer, Secretary n9,16

California had 841,000 milk cows on its farms as of January 1 of this year, 8,000 less than a year earlier.

OUR TOWN

By Ruth Loyd

November 9, 1967

It's about that time of year. Make a last trip to the mountains to close up the cabin. Make everything nice and tight for winter. The leaves are so lovely, and the air so delicious you wonder if you could put it off for another week-end. Or will it snow early this year. Maybe if you left it open you could spend Thanksgiving in the Sierra. What a treat.

Take the boat trailer up to the lake, get the boat out, inspect it, cover it and put it in the garage. Success is a little cool now. Only the very hardy still are out on the lake. The water is very low, and little islands we haven't seen for a long time are showing themselves again.

Time to cover the pool, or let a little water out so it won't crack. If you have a heated pool, you can spend the next few months skimming leaves off the surface. It was worth it. It has been a lovely summer.

Patio furniture will be stuck in the garage too. Can't leave it out in the rain. Poor garage. Not much room for cars and bicycles now.

Check the cooler on the roof. Some people cover them, and they look nice and neat.

Be sure of a good supply of nice dry wood ready for the fireplace. Lay a fire and have it ready for "a cozy" around the hearth

one of these cool evenings. Make a list of special friends you have owed for ages. This is the time for little special dinners for big special friends.

About time to start thinking of Christmas lists and gifts. Where is that list of addresses for cards. What a racket.

Just thinking of the coming of winter to OUR TOWN. So much to look forward to.

Ray Holloway had just finished auctioning off the contents of Ina Stiner's home. The house was empty, and Ray was just leaving. I asked if I could go in. I like old houses. I wandered around. When people are gone, things look so nothing. The rooms would be filled with memories for people who had lived there, but to me it was just empty rooms and halls, and scuffed floors. Another chapter of OUR TOWN will be painted and started over again. I wonder what will happen to our old house when we are gone. Will some noney person poke around and wonder what went on here?

Galen Barrett came to fix my electric range. He fiddled around and presto, all fixed. The Edison Co. is so nice about coming to fix sick ranges. It's nice to know an expert is fooling around with all those wires. Good looking too.

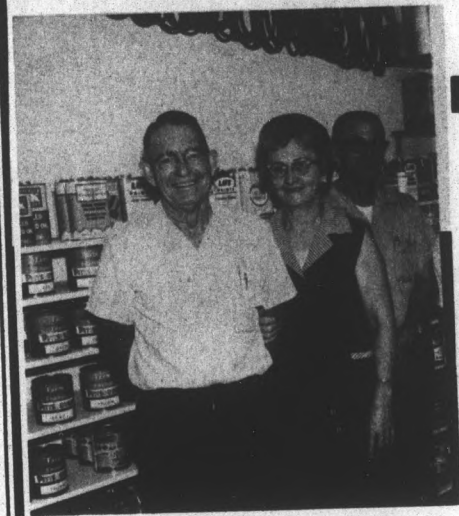
The chuck wagon at the Paul Bunyan is nice, but of course there are a few children with no manners who ruin it for others. These children are from college, and from so called "good families." These little darlings pile up their plates with good food, and get up and walk away. After they have eaten. Make a

mess with the whipped cream cans, and bring bags and fill them with food and throw it away. Mr. and Mrs. So and So's little angel showing what kind of people Mr. and Mrs. So and So really are. I do hope you had a

nice Halloween. We thought we had fed most of the children in OUR TOWN and it was about ten o'clock and I had run out of goodies. I found some marshmallows and had them ready. The door bell rang, and  
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Superior Court of the  
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No. 19417

Estate of  
ALICE R. EDDY, also known  
as Alice Eddy, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated October 17, 1967.

NEIL IRVIN EDDY, Executor  
of the Will of the above named  
decedent.

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Attorneys at Law

141 East Mill Avenue

Porterville, California, 93257

Telephone: (209) 784-5064

Attorneys for Executor

First publication: October 28, 1967.  
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Dated October 25, 1967.

s/ R. V. GOODMAN, JR.  
s/ EVA M. GOODMAN

State of California

County of Tulare, ss:

On this 25th day of October, 1967, before me, Mary C. Brown, a notary public, personally appeared R. V. GOODMAN, JR., and EVA M. GOODMAN, known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing certificate and they duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same. Witness my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

s/ MARY C. BROWN  
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**CLASS OF 1937 REUNION**

November 9, 1967

The graduating class of 1937 of Porterville High school will celebrate its 30th anniversary at a party to be held November 11 at

the Memorial building in Terra Bella.

At the home of Chairman Albert Konda, the Reunion committee made final plans to assure that the 90 - 100 class members, and

their guests, will have a pleasant and enjoyable gathering. Among the activities scheduled, Konda reported that a special rooters section will be set up for the 1937 grads at the Porterville High vs Mt.

Whitney High football game Friday night, November 10. Alumni able to attend this game are urged to arrive by 7:00 p.m. in order to be certain of adequate seating.

On Saturday, following the activities scheduled for Porterville's Annual Homecoming celebration, special reunion activities will begin with registration and social activities at 5:30 p.m. at the Terra Bella Memorial building, to be followed by a dinner and dance later in the evening. To culminate the reunion festivities, there will be a no-host farewell brunch at the Paul Bunyan restaurant beginning at 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning.

Among the more than 170 who plan to attend, are some 30 class members residing outside the Tulare County area. Those sending in reservations are Richard Baird (from Gardena), Nevil Blair (Santa Ana), Jerry Bump (Chula Vista), Horace Comstock (Culver City), Nellie Demetriff (Burlingame), Earl Eggett (Lake Tahoe), Robert Elledge (Modesto), Mrs. Vernon Elmore (Colton), Dorothy Garrison Fielding (Robbins), Margaret Hammond Seavers (Santa Maria), Oliver Hopkin (Santa Rose), Helen Hughes Hamner (Santa Clara), Viola Huntington Brown (San Fernando), Max Jamison (North Hollywood), Dave Kirk (Santa Clara), Robert Kreider (Berkeley), Adelsa Martin Enlow (Salinas), John Mulley (Van Nuys), Ned Munsey (Seal Beach), Sally Nichol-

**Our Town**

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there stood two big ones. I apologized for the little marshmallows. Then I heard that laugh. No one in the world has a laugh like Adline Hanggi, and she didn't come for candy. She and Bud left after a bit, and were going to surprise the Mayor. I'll bet he wasn't home. He usually is around somewhere crowning someone. Queens and things.

Happiness is knowing where your children are when they ask you on T.V.

son Krier (Delano), Hubert Penning (Long Barn), Howard Penrod (Whittier), Kathryn Pitcock Atkinson (Livermore), Marian Ratliff Johnson (Delano), Cary Rutherford (Riverside), Elfrieda Sanders Whatley (North Hollywood), Lawrence Starr (Sunnyvale), Norma Vinson Miller (Garden Grove), Virginia Davenport Nankivell (Concord), Thelma Hart Jackson (Fresno), Raymond Rockholt (Merced), Lauren Goddard (Santa Barbara), Oleta Stewart Weatherwax (Redlands), Eileen Woolfolk Peterson (La Fayette).

No reservations from class members living out of the state, have been received but several have acknowledged their invitation. Arrangement has been made for a special class roster and for a souvenir group picture of those attending the reunion, which will be presented to all who attend and to those who have requested that one be mailed to them.

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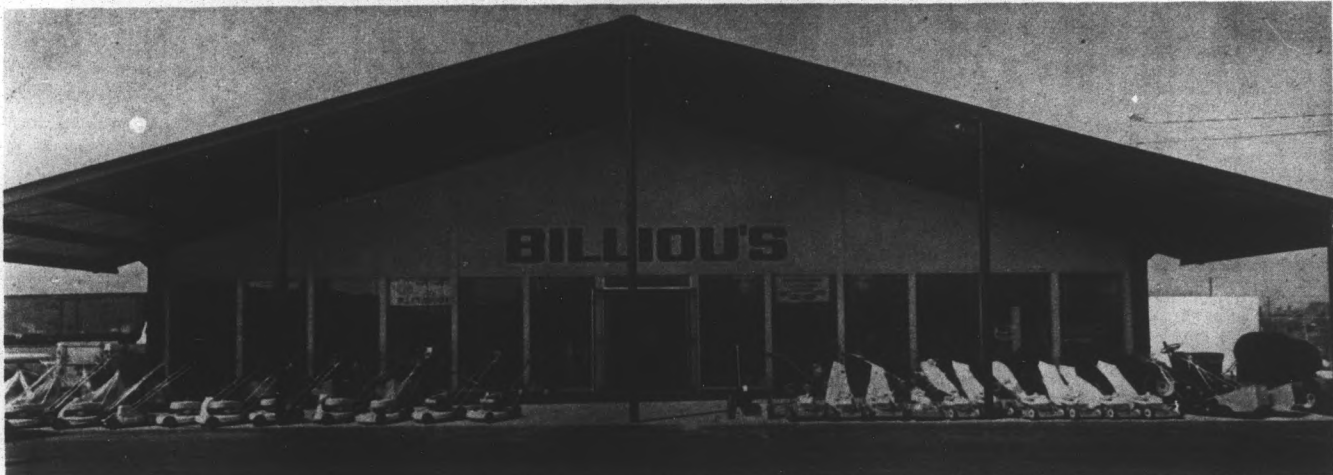
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## FINE ENTERTAINMENT IS PLANNED FOR GUADALUPE DINNER NEXT WEEK

November 9, 1967

A fine evening of entertainment is being planned for the annual Guadalupe dinner dance that will be held in Gang Sue's new Lantern room the evening of Saturday, November 18, with a steak dinner to be served at 7 p.m. following a no-host social hour from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Dinner music will be provided by Mariachi Joventu De Guadalajara, a group of young musicians from Mexico who are now on tour through California.

Music for dancing will be Veto Garcia and his orchestra, from Fresno.

Proceeds from the dinner dance will be used to provide additional classrooms at the Mission.

Table decorations are being created by a committee headed by Molly Moreno and Georgina Rameriz, following the theme, "Noche De Fiesta."

Chairman for the event is Isaac Gonzalez; co-

chairman is Joe Moreno; dinner chairman is Manuel Alderate; publicity is being handled by Albert Rodriguez; and master of ceremonies will be Victor Salcido.

### The Farm Tribune BILLBOARD

#### November

- 8-14—Great Western Livestock Show and Exposition, Los Angeles
- 10—Reunion, PUHS Class of 1902
- 10—PUHS Panthers vs. Mt. Whitney of Visalia
- "Cost of Freedom" Half-Time Show
- 11—Veterans' Day Homecoming Celebration
- 11—P.C. Pirates vs. Merced
- 11—PUHS Class of 1917 Reunion
- 11—Pioneer Reunion
- 11—Porterville Museum Open
- 11—Reunion, Class of 1937
- 11—SCICON Lunch, Vandalia School

## State Director Of Employment Dinner Speaker

November 9, 1967

John N. Dungan, president of the Tulare County Farmers association has announced that the organization's eighth annual meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, November 14, at 7:15 p.m. in the Exeter Memorial building. Guest speaker will be Peter Weinberger who, on January 30, was appointed Director of Employment by Governor Ronald Reagan.

A short business meeting will follow the no-host dinner at which time five men will be elected to the board of directors to serve for a three-year period. Directors whose term will expire are: Harvey Chase, of Orange Cove; Jim Uota, of Ivanhoe; Jim Young, of Ivanhoe; James Hurley, of Lindsay, and Guido Lombardi, of Porterville.

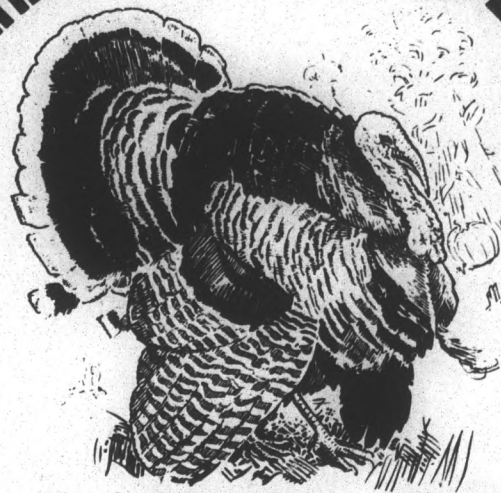
Following the election, the association's secretary - manager, Charles Guinn, will report on the activities of the association during the past year.

Dungan suggests that

reservations be made well in advance by calling the association office at Exeter, 592-3111 or by writing to P. O. Box 278, Exeter. Donations will be \$3.00 per plate; reservation deadline is November 10.



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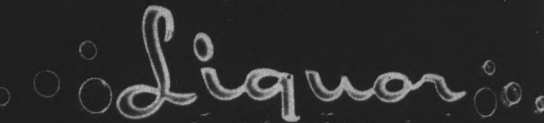
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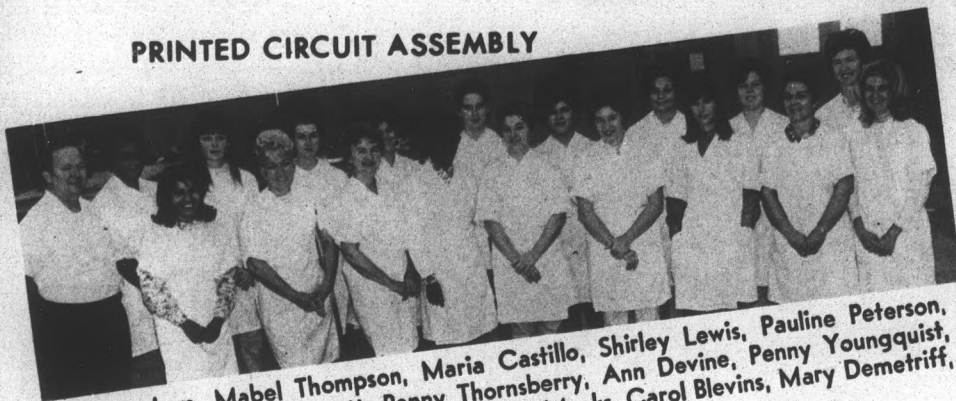
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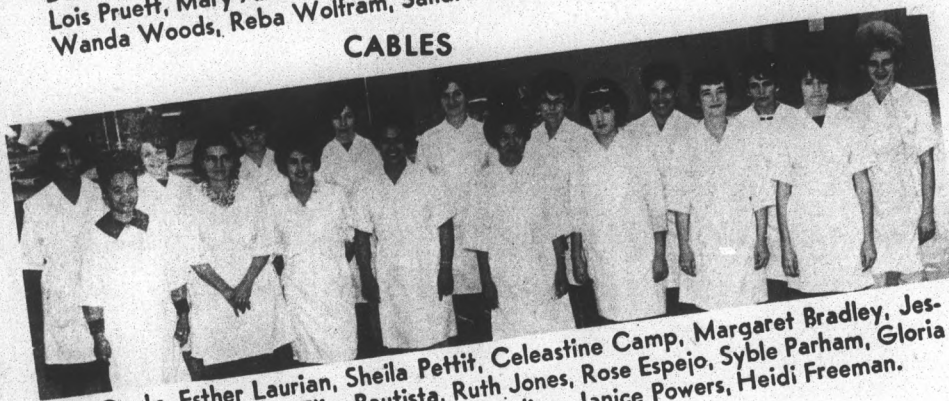
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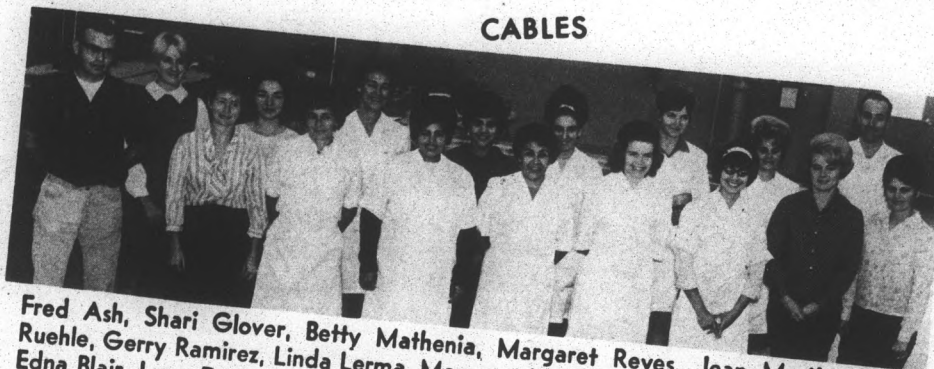
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